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230. ON SELECTION OF LECTOTYPES AND NEOTYPES¹

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In the course of study of some Recent planktonic Foraminifera, it has come to my attention that two long-abandoned species have been resurrected by means of selection of a lectotype and a neotype reespectively. If these selections were accepted, they would result in the elimination from the literature of widely used names for two of the best known and Meast misinterpreted of the world-wide planktonic especies, namely, Globigerinoides sacculifer (Brady) and Globorotalia menardii (d'Orbigny). Such an eventuality is to be deplored as failing to advance the cause of uniformity of usage of names and, moreover, is in conflict with the spirit of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature as expressed in the mimeographed preamble to the Code. Therefore I offer the following objections to the acceptance of the proposed lectotype and neotype.

Lectotype of Globigerina quadrilobata d'Orbigny (1846, p. 164, pl. 9, figs. 7-10).—After a lapse of an hundred years, during which only one illustrated refperence (Costa, 1856, p. 242, pl. 21, fig. 5) to the species seems to have been made, Cushman (1946, p. 19) speculated that this species, recorded as rare at Nussdorf, was probably an irregular specimen. He suggested the name be allowed to lapse. Banner and Blow (1960, p. 17) described in detail a single lot of presumed syntypic specimens of this species still extant in the d'Orbigny collections in Paris. They stated that of the original 11, 3 were lost, 2 belonged in Globigerina bulloides d'Orbigny and 1 in Globigerina bilobata d'Orbigny. They then added that, although the remaining 5 specimens were conspecific with each other, none agreed well with d'Orbigny's illustrated specimen. With all this we can be in agreement, as the lectotype selected (Banner and Blow, 1960, p. 17, pl. 4, fig. 3) belongs without doubt in the species now widely understood as Globigerinoides sacculifer (Brady) and is not in agreement with the species described as Globigerina quadrilobata d'Orbigny from the Miocene of Nussdorf. G. quadrilobata was described by d'Orbigny as composed of 4 spherical chambers of nearly equal size, the diameter of the whole test being "1/4 millim." No mention is made of supplementary dorsal apertures nor are any shown in d'Orbigny's illustration.

In the light of these differences, the lectotype should be rejected on the grounds that it does not reasonably conform with what the author described when he erected the species.

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Even if the authenticity of syntypes may be assumed, their inviolability cannot be. This has been best pointed out, perhaps inadvertently, by Banner and Blow themselves when they recognized 2 other species within the presumed syntypic series. After something over 100 years with its accidents of nature, wars, study by subsequent students, and other disturbances, not to mention the possibility of accidental inclusion of more than one species by the original author himself, or even intentional inclusion of what now would be considered more than one species, it is folly to attach inordinate importance to syntypes, without regard to whether they fulfill even the minimum qualifications of what it was obviously the author's intention to describe.

Therefore, the lectotype of *Globigerina quadrilobata* d'Orbigny should be rejected and the name allowed to lapse, as had already been recommended (Cushman, 1946, p. 19).

Neotype of Rotalina cultrata d'Orbigny (1839, p. 76, pl. 5, figs. 7-9).—This name, like Globigerina quadrilobata, has been virtually ignored since it was originally proposed. Only three instances of its use are known to me: a questionable reference from off the east coast of America (Bailey, 1851, p. 11, pl., figs. 14-16); one where cultrata is regarded as a variety of Pulvinulina menardii from off the Barbados (vanden Broeck, 1876, p. 141, pl. 3, figs. 13, 15); and one from the Asiatic shelf (Waller and Polski, 1959, p. 125, pl. 10, fig. 3). In the last reference, no description is included, but the specimens placed in Globorotalia cultrata (d'Orbigny) are distinguished from those placed in G. menardii (d'Orbigny), although the basis of distinction is not stated.

Globorotalia cultrata was described from marine sands of Cuba, Martinique, Guadalupe, and Jamaica. When it was determined (Banner and Blow, 1960, p. 34) that no syntypic material existed, Banner and Blow examined topotypic material—Recent sands from off Cape Cruz, Cuba—and from it selected a neotype which they regarded as "clearly conspecific with d'Orbigny's form."

The selection of a neotype for a long-abandoned species is in conflict with recommendations included in the mimeographed Draft Code adopted in 1958 at the 15th International Zoological Congress in London. There it is stated that a neotype shall be selected only "in connection with revisory work, and then only in exceptional circumstances when a neotype is desirable in the interest of stability." It states further that "A

neotype shall not be established for its own sake or as a matter of curatorial routine, or for a species whose name neither is in current use nor enters current synonymy." In addition, it is recommended that "To take effect, the neotype selection must be published with . . . (iv) evidence that the selected neotype is consistent with what is known of the original typematerial from its description and from other sources."

Although the proposed neotype of Rotalina cultrata is stated to be clearly conspecific with d'Orbigny's form, it actually differs in several respects, as follows: (a) d'Orbigny's description and illustration of Rotalina cultrata indicate a punctate or hispid wall surface. The text mentions the shell as being "légèrement pointillée" and the illustration shows these features on both surfaces. The drawings are admittedly diagrammatic, yet when one contrasts d'Orbigny's representations of such coarsely punctate forms as Rosalina candeiana (d'Orbigny, 1839, p. 97, pl. 4, figs. 2-4) and Truncatulina advena (idem, p. 87, pl. 6, figs. 3-5) with his representations of such finely punctate forms as Rotalina sagra (idem, p. 77, pl. 5, figs. 13-15) and Nonionina grateloupi (idem, p. 46, pl. 6, figs. 6, 7), one is struck by the fact that d'Orbigny intentionally represented Rotalina cultrata as having a wall like the former two rather than like the latter two, whereas the neotype is more closely similar to the latter two.

(b) The discrepancy in size "1/3 de millim.", which is barely over one-third the size of the neotype selected, throws additional doubt on the validity of the neotype. Although it is generally accepted that size in itself is not a specific character, differences of size extending to severalfold, or large size differences combined with other distinguishing characteristics, do serve as specific characters. Thus the size discrepancy between "1/3 de millim." originally specified for "Rotalina cultrata," and approximately one millimeter specified for the neotype also argues against acceptance of the neotype.

In the light of the above evidence, the neotype of *Rotalina cultrata* should be rejected on the grounds that it does not reasonably conform to what it was obviously the author's intention to describe, and that it is not needed in the interest of stability.

SUMMARY

The underlying reason-for-being of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature is that one shall understand what another one means by scientific names. Fundamentally, the Rules are set up to serve this purpose, not for the purpose of inhibiting and unreasonably restraining nomenclature. These Rules take

their authority and their validity from their reasonableness. They lose both when they become unreasonable or are subject to unreasonable interpretation.

While it is the object of the Rules of Zoological Nomenclature to establish a basis for a stable and universal set of names, the application of any provision of the Code so as to supplant a well-known and important name is to be condemned as contrary to the spirit of the Code. Furthermore, although the Law of Priority is the basic principle to be observed, it is to be moderated by the Principle of Conservation. The two instances discussed above, masked under the guise of priority, are examples of mis-choice in violation of the spirit of the Code and are, therefore, inadmissible into zoological nomenclature.

Therefore, I propose the repudiation of these small obstacles to the continued use of the long-established names for the two well-known planktonic species, Globigerinoides sacculifer (Brady) and Globorotalian menardii (d'Orbigny).

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231. GLOBOTRUNCANIDAE BROTZEN, 1942, AS TOOTHPLATE FORAMINIFERA

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ABSTRACT

Beautifully preserved material from the Lower Campanian has made possible the study of the structure of Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?) cretacea d'Orbigny, Marginotruncana globigerinoides (Brotzen), M. paraventricosa Hofker, and Globotruncana linneiformis Hofker. The "tegula" or "tena" covering the umbilical hollow are the outer parts of toothplates; the aperture itself is a true foramen compositum; the marginal poreless keels of the Globotruncanidae are the remains of marginal parts of the toothplates. It is suggested that a fan-shaped floating apparatus, in living Globotruncanidae and Globorotaliidae, was attached to that poreless rim; the globigerines have a very different floating mechanism, formed by fine spines. Thus, the Cretaceous globigerines, though also having toothplates covering the umbilici, are not closely related to the Globotruneanidae. So-called Globorotalia lacking a marginal poreless rim do not appear to be referable to that genus.

In a paper on the Globotruncanidae from northwestern Germany and Holland, I (Hofker, 1956a) gave the opinion that the Globotruncanidae were derived from some group of toothplate Foraminifera, choosing for the ancestral form Conorboides. A study of the aperture showed that it was formed by a combination of protoforamen and deuteroforamen (foramen compositum), as it is in many groups, and this pointed to "Mundlappen" which in turn suggests a "tenon" in the sense of Brotzen (1948).

Bolli et al. (1957, p. 44) described the apertural characteristics of Globotruncana as follows: "primary apertures interio-marginal, umbilical, in well preserved specimens covered by tegilla, which are perforated by accessory infraliminal and intraliminal apertures, which are then the only openings to the exterior, the tegilla commonly are partially or wholly broken out in the process of fossilization, or may be preserved only as scalloped fragments."

Banner and Blow (1959, p. 10) describe the apertural conditions as follows: "primary aperture interiomarginal, intraumbilical or umbilical-extraumbilical, characteristically modified by an imperforate complex umbilical coverplate (tegillum). Relict part of primary apertures open into umbilicus beneath the tegillum, and thence to exterior through accessory apertures in the tegillum."

The author, with B. J. Romein, collected a complete set of samples from the Lower Campanian arenaceous limestone found in the caves at Folx-les-Caves in central Belgium. Here, a fauna of Lower Campanian age was found in which the Foraminifera had never been recrystallized, adhered to the matrix, or even been

filled with matrix. All the fossils are air filled and look like Recent material. Not only the finer structures could be studied, but, in most specimens of globigerines and globotruncanae, the finest parts of the "tena" or "tegilla" were preserved. Each chamber aperture forms at its border a more or less irregular. very thin, poreless plate which covers part of the umbilicus. Each chamber plate covers part of the plate of the former chamber. These plates never fuse at their outer borders with former ones. Each poreless plate is attached to the upper border of its aperture, leaving the proximal and distal curved end of the apertural border free, so that the protoforamenal and deuteroforamenal parts of the foramen compositum remain open. Nearer to the umbilicus, the border of each plate may be nearly flat or may be crumpled up to form a "secondary aperture." When seen from the apertural face (end face of the last-formed chamber), the deuteroforamen always can be seen under the plate.

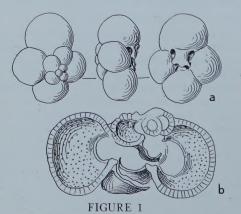
In the same sample, a very similar structure was found in Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina) cretacea and, in addition, it was possible to study these fine structures in Marginotruncana paraventricosa Hofker, M. globigerinoides (Brotzen), Globotruncana linneiformis Hofker, and G. aspera Hofker. For this reason it is obvious that the so-called "open umbilicus" of the Globotruncanidae is an artifact resulting from poor preservation; when the test is well-preserved, each chamber has a "tenon" or "tegillum."

In several papers, I have suggested that the poreless plates covering the part of the foramen compositum between the protoforamen and the deuteroforamen must be regarded as real toothplates. Within the chambers of the Protoforaminata, these toothplates run from one aperture towards the next one, since there the next chamber entirely surrounds the former aperture. In protoforaminate Lamarckina, part of this toothplate forms a free plate over the umbilical hollow, but each consecutive chamber engulfs it entirely. On the other hand, in the deuteroforaminate Conorbidae, a second aperture is formed, and the free part of the toothplate forms a poreless protruding lip between the protoforamen and the deuteroforamen. This plate is the "tenon" of Brotzen and remains in those forms where the inner part of the toothplate at the protoforamen is reduced (Discopulvinulina). In Valvulineria, the entire area between protoforamen and deuteroforamen remains as an open slit, so that here we have a case of a foramen compositum; the poreless

plate remains, however, and even covers large parts of the umbilicus. Since the foramen compositum of each successive chamber forms this larger plate, these plates also cover one another successively. The Globotruncanidae likewise have such a foramen compositum and here also the umbilical hollow is more or less covered by the poreless plates.

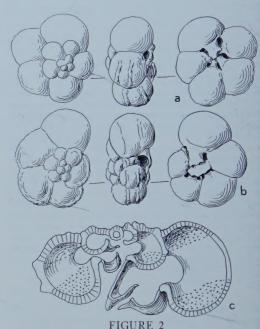
It is obvious from this analysis that the Globotruncanidae (and also Rugoglobigerina, although this form seems to belong to another lineage) are Deuteroforaminata with strongly reduced inner toothplates but with the outer parts of the toothplates greatly developed to form the "tegillae" of Bolli et al., or the "tena" of Brotzen, and the "Mundlappen" of Hofker.

Transverse sections of this beautifully preserved material were made so that only one half of the test was ground down; thus, not only the structure of the toothplates could be studied but also the inner walls of the chambers. Such sections reveal that each chamber is connected with the next one by a large rounded septal foramen which is often bordered by a thickened rim; this is the distal part of the foramen compositum; proximally, in respect to the proloculus, the chamber wall bends upward, not reaching, however, the ventral walls of former coils; at this part of the foramen compositum, the toothplate becomes attached, and it is here that the chamber opens into the umbilical cavity. Still farther proximally, in most cases observed, there is a small indentation where the foramen compositum ends with a small protoforamen. In Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?) cretacea, the entire inner wall around the septal foramen is pierced by pores; in Marginotruncana globigerinoides, as well as in all other Globotruncanidae, a clearly bordered poreless band begins at the deuteroforamen (septal foramen) and forms marginally the poreless keel; in the older cham-



Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?) cretacea d'Orbigny. Sample 1126, Folx-les-Caves, Lower Campanian. a, whole specimen from three sides; showing, on the ventral side, the toothplates covering the umbilical cavity; on the apertural face, the deuteroforamen; × 56. b, transverse section showing the deuteroforamina (septal foramina), entirely porous chamber walls, and the toothplate; × 123.

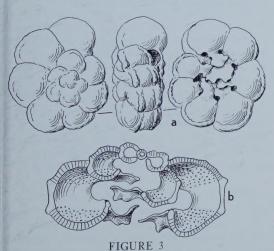
bers of *M. globigerinoides*, this keel is slightly thickened at its borders by secondary rims of chalk; these rims are not yet visible in the latest chambers. In *M.* paraventricosa, even in the latest chambers, the outer



Marginotruncana globigerinoides (Brotzen). Sample 1126, Folx-les-Caves, Lower Campanian. a, whole specimen from three sides; showing on the ventral side, the toothplates; on the apertural face, the deuteroforamen; × 56. b, whole specimen from three sides; × 56. c, transverse section showing the septal foramina, the inner side of the chamber walls with the poreless marginal area connected with these apertures, and the toothplates; × 123.

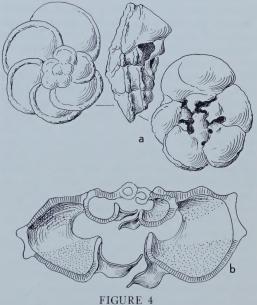
rims are found; this also is true of Globotruncana linneiformis whose pores are finer than those of the other species mentioned. In addition, it was observed that at the place where the toothplate is attached to the bordering rim of the foramen, the bordering part of the chamber wall also is poreless. This condition gives added stress to the view suggested by the author (Hofker, 1951, p. 359; 1956b, p. 190) that the poreless toothplates and poreless keel of the Globotruncanidae both form parts of toothplate structures. The following structures also should be pointed out in this respect: the dorsal poreless "suture" of the toothplate in Lamarckina, the poreless keel formed by the toothplate in Laticarinina, and the marginal chord of the Nummulitidae. On the other hand, in Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?), the poreless keel is not developed. It was possible to trace that form from the Albian and it is certain that, although also having umbilical toothplates and obviously derived from a similar ancestor to that of the Globotruncanidae, it must belong to quite a different trend unconnected with the Globotruncanidae. Forms such as G. (R.?) cretacea seem to form a trend which is related closely to *Valvuli-neria*, another offspring of that same ancestor which also does not develop a marginal part of the toothplate structures. It may be that *Gyroidinoides* also belongs near this group.

The Globotruncanidae are Deuteroforaminata with a foramen compositum; the distal deuteroforamen forms the septal foramen; the proximal protoforamen is inconspicuous; between these foramina, at the border of the foramen compositum, a true toothplate emerges covering the larger part of the umbilical cavity at each chamber; this toothplate is connected with a remnant of the whole toothplate structure (the part of the toothplate attached at the marginal chamber wall) which causes a poreless part of the chamber wall beginning at the border of the septal deuteroforamen, forming in all cases observed a poreless margin which is often secondarily thickened at its border by a rim. It is not certain just what the meaning of this poreless margin in the Globotruncanidae is. It may be that a denser part of the protoplasm emerged from the deuteroforamen which adhered to that marginal poreless "keel," forming a fan-shaped protoplasmic floating apparatus. Since the pores with their sieve plates cannot serve for passing protoplasm (Jahn, 1953, pp. 294-297) but appear to be respiratory organs, the protoplasm when leaving the aperture has to flow over the poreless parts of the test when forming organelles on the outer side of the test. In living globigerines, the "spines" formed by dense protoplasm, often with a chalky inner part, always are found on tubercules on the surface of the test between the pores, which are left free. In Miliolids, on the other hand,



Marginotruncana paraventricosa Hofker. Sample 1126, Folx-les-Caves, Lower Campanian. a, whole specimen from three sides; showing on the ventral side, the toothplates covering the umbilical hollow; in apertural view, the deuteroforamen underneath the toothplate; × 56. b, transverse section showing the septal foramina, their connection with the poreless marginal part, and the toothplates; × 123.

which have no pores, the protoplasm flows over the whole outer surface of the test. Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?) cretacea always has large or small pustules on the outer surface which are obviously the places where protoplasmic "spines" adhered to the surface to form a floating apparatus. So it appears that in the Globotruncanidae, the poreless rim or keel at the margin had a distinct function and had something to do with floating. Floating in the Globotruncanidae was performed in a very different way from that in Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?). In Cretaceous Globigerina, as in Tertiary and Recent planktonic forms, a totally different gene pool gave rise to the floating mechanism to that in the Globotruncanidae and consequently both groups, though possibly originating from the same stock (Valvulineria?), do not belong together. When we seek among Recent species of floating Foraminifera for those forming their float-



Globotruncana linneiformis Hofker. Sample 1126, Folx-les-Caves, Lower Campanian. a, whole specimen from three sides; the ventral side showing the tooth-plates covering the umbilical hollow, and the apertural face showing the deuteroforamen underneath the tooth-plate; × 56. b, transverse section with the septal foramina, the poreless rims at the margin at the inner sides of the chamber walls, and the toothplates; × 123.

ing apparatus with protoplasm, we must find them among the Globorotaliidae. Here also is the poreless rim at the periphery, the poreless toothplate in the foramen compositum between the protoforamen and the deuteroforamen (Hofker, 1959, fig. 2) and the pores without pustules between them on the outer surface. "Spines" have never been found on Recent living Globorotalia; the frequently thick-walled test (G. tumida) must be kept afloat by means of a fan of

dense protoplasm attached at the poreless, often roughened, margin. As in the Globotruncanidae, this poreless margin connects with the border of the aperture in Globorotalia and the protoplasm streaming from the aperture over the outer surface at the margin, thus, finds at once the poreless surface at the periphery. It is a remarkable fact that so-called Globorotalia without a poreless margin (viz: "Globorotalia" pseudobulloides in the sense of Bolli et al., "G." uncinata Bolli, "G." opima Bolli, "G." obesa Bolli, etc.) always have test surfaces which have pustules or heavy honeycomb structure between the pores, as do real Tertiary Globigerina species. So it is obvious that the gene pattern of such forms must be quite different from that of true Globorotalia (viz: G. pseudomenardii Bolli, G. tumida (Brady), G. menardii (d'Orbigny), etc.) having a smooth dorsal surface and a poreless keel at the periphery. Such forms must have a very different floating apparatus. Recent authors seem to lay too much stress on apertural characters; in reality, these apertural characters only show that true Cretaceous Globigerina (Rugoglobigerina?), true Globotruncanidae, and true Globorotalia together with Valvulineria, Discopulvinulina and many other groups have similar or identical ancestors. In Discopulvinulina, as well as in Asterigerina, apertural conditions (distal protoforamen, foramen compositum, proximal protoforamen, external [in Asterigerina, later internal] toothplate between them) are identical with those conditions found in the Globotruncanidae and Globorotalia; these conditions only prove that all are Foraminifera dentata. We also find these conditions in "Globorotalia" without marginal poreless rims but that fact does not mean that these forms are related to true Globorotalia; they must belong to quite different genera since rimless "Globorotalia" must lead quite a different life to that of true Globorotalia with marginal poreless rims or keels. Their whole wall structure is different and is not like that of true Globorotalia but like that of Tertiary Globigerina.

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232. STRATIGRAPHIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF LARGER FORAMINIFERA OCCURRING IN A WELL IN COFFEE COUNTY, GEORGIA^{1, 2}

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ABSTRACT

Larger Foraminifera from a well in Coffee County, Georgia, include miogypsinids and other larger Foraminifera characteristic of the American Oligocene Eulepidina zone. The geographic, stratigraphic, and faunal associations of miogypsinids in the Gulf Coast of the United States and selected Caribbean localities are reviewed in relation to the faunal sequence in the Georgia well. Species of upper Eocene larger Foraminifera from this well are identical with those found in Florida wells except for Lepidocyclina pustulosa which has not been reported from the upper Eocene of Florida.

INTRODUCTION

Although the junior author (Applin, 1960, p. B207) published a preliminary statement on Oligocene sediments in Coffee County, Georgia, it seems desirable to enlarge upon this by expanded discussion of the larger Foraminifera and other fossils.

Major emphasis is given in this article to the geographic and stratigraphic distribution of the miogypsinids, as they are becoming more important in correlation in the Gulf Coastal region and the Caribbean area. Drooger (1952) and Akers and Drooger (1957) have employed a complex species nomenclature for miogypsinids based largely upon statistical analysis. In this article the terminology adopted is that proposed by Cole (1957a), as it is believed to be less confusing and seemingly expresses species relationship in a more natural manner.

The Carpenter Oil Co., C. T. Thurman No. 2 well is in Land District 1, Land Lot 189, 450 feet northwest of the center of the SE½ of Land Lot 189, Coffee County, Georgia. The ground elevation is 299 feet. The total depth of the well is 3550 feet, and the well was completed May 1, 1956.

A detailed log of the Carpenter Oil Co., C. T. Thurman No. 2 well in Coffee County, Georgia, has been published (Applin, 1960, fig. 90.2, p. B208). As this publication is readily available, a graphic log will not be given here.

The specimens studied and illustrated are deposited temporarily in the Cole collection at Cornell Univer-

sity and eventually will be transferred to the U. S. National Museum.

DESCRIPTION OF THURMAN WELL SECTION

Miocene.—The first sample studied, from a depth of 100 feet, is assigned to undifferentiated Miocene. The Miocene sediments contained little fossil material. There were a few badly abraded megafossil fragments and a few specimens of Foraminifera and Ostracoda which may have caved from overlying sediments.

A thin bed of diatomaceous earth in the upper part of this section correlated roughly with similar deposits recognized by the junior author in Miocene sediments in wells in the northern part of Florida.

The basal third of the Miocene section is represented by nonfossiliferous, highly phosphatic sands which characterize the Hawthorne formation of Florida. No evidence of Tampa limestone was found in this well.

Oligocene.—The limestone underlying the Miocene phosphatic sands is light cream colored, finely porous, chalky and irregularly calcitic. Some parts are dolomitic. Fossils are seemingly confined to certain horizons within the limestone. As specimens at well depths lower than the "first statigraphic appearance" may be cavings from fossiliferous horizons above, the only record given for the species will be the depth at which the species was found as the samples were examined in a downward sequence. A listing of these follows:

Depth (feet)	Species
450	Elphidium leonensis Applin and Jordan Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman); M. (M.) gunteri Cole
590	Streblus mexicanus mecatepecensis (Nuttall)
660	Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton) Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman
910	Dictyoconus floridanus (Cole) Douglass
940	Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) suwanneensis Cole: L. (E.) yurnagunensis Cushmar

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The miogypsinids and the eulepidine lepidocyclinids are significant because they characterize the American Oligocene *Eulepidina* zone. This article is the first to describe in detail the species of this zone in Georgia and to evaluate their stratigraphic significance by comparison with known occurrence and stratigraphic position elsewhere.

Upper Eocene.—Whereas the top of the Eocene in this well is obscured by cavings, the sample at 1050-1060 feet contained abundant worn and fragmentary fossil debris and a small amount of glauconite which may represent that horizon.

At 1070-1080 feet are undoubted upper Eocene larger Foraminifera. They are:

Asterocyclina nassauensis Cole Camerina floridensis (Heilprin) Helicostegina polygyralis (Barker) Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé

The first occurrence of L. (Phiolepidina) ocalana Cushman was recorded at a depth of 1150-1160 feet.

Below this upper Eocene Ocala limestone section, sands appeared which the junior author correlates by smaller Foraminifera with the Barnwell sand.

STRATIGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION AND FAUNAL ASSOCIATION OF THE MIOGYPSINIDS

Drooger (1952, p. 21) reported Miogypsina basraensis (= M. (Miogypsina) gunteri) in a sample from the Kapur Quarry of southern Trinidad and in another sample from this same quarry he found M. tani (=M. (Miogypsina) antillea). In a sample from the Bohio formation of Barro Colorado Island, Panama Canal Zone, Cole (1957a, p. 314) found M. (M.) antillea and M. (M.) gunteri in association, and in another sample from the Caimito formation of this island M. (M.) antillea and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis (Cushman) occurred together. Sachs (1959, p. 401) identified M. (M.) antillea and M. (M.) gunteri from a sample from the San Sebastián formation of Puerto Rico and in another sample he found M. (M.) gunteri and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis in association.

The type locality of M. (M.) antillea is the Anguilla formation, Crocus Bay, Anguilla. Woodring (1957, p. 37) correlated the Culebra formation of Panama with the Anguilla formation. The type locality of M. (Miogypsina) cushmani Vaughan, a species which Cole (1953, p. 35) considered to be synonymous with M. (M.) antillea, is the Culebra formation. Therefore, in Panama M. (M.) antillea ranges from the Bohio formation into the Culebra formation.

M. (M.) gunteri was described from a sample at 890-911 feet from the Port St. Joe test well, Gulf County, Florida, from a limestone referred to the Suwannee limestone. In the samples immediately above the one containing M. (M.) gunteri, there were

specimens which Cole (1938, p. 40) referred to *Heterostegina texana* Gravell and Hanna. Later, he (1953, p. 12) decided that *H. texana* was a synonym of *H. israelskyi* Gravell and Hanna, a species which Sachs (1959, p. 327) combined with *Heterostegina antillea* Cushman.

The part of the Suwannee limestone in which M. (M.) gunteri and H. antillea occur represents the widespread Miogypsina-Heterostegina zone of Gravell and Hanna (1938, p. 989) which extends from southwest Texas into Florida. This zone is included in the subsurface Anahuac formation (Ellisor, 1944, p. 1356) of Texas. Akers and Drooger (1957, p. 658) considered that the Anahuac formation should be assigned to the Aquitanian-Burdigalian stages of the Miocene.

The type locality of M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis, the other species which is found with M. (M.) antillea and M. (M.) gunteri, is in the middle member of the Caimito formation, Gatun Lake Area, Panama Canal Zone (Woodring, 1957, p. 117). Associated species at the type locality are: Camerina panamensis (Cushman), Heterostegina panamensis Gravell and Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) pancanalis Vaughan and Cole (= L. (L.) canellei Lemoine and R. Douvillé).

H. M. Bolli at the request of Woodring (1958, p. 27) examined smaller Foraminifera from locality 54n on Barro Colorado Island, Panama Canal Zone, and decided that this fauna should be assigned to the planktonic *Globorotalia kugleri* zone of Trinidad (Bolli, 1957, p. 118). Woodring (1957, p. 117) placed this locality in the middle member of the Caimito formation of the Gatun Lake area.

Although larger Foraminifera have not been found at locality 54n, they do occur at other localities on Barro Colorado Island in the middle member of the Caimito formation (Cole, 1957a, p. 314; Woodring, 1958, p. 24). Thus, M. (M.) antillea, M. (M.) gunteri and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis seemingly occur in the Globorotalia kugleri zone. Although the evidence is not conclusive, the data available suggest that M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis is restricted in Panama to the Globorotalia kugleri zone of the Caimito formation, whereas M. (M.) gunteri occurs in the stratigraphically slightly older beds of the Bohio formation and ranges from the Bohio formation into the Caimito formation.

As M. (M.) antillea and M. (M.) gunteri occur together in the San Sebastián formation of Puerto Rico and M. (M.) gunteri and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis were found in association in another, but stratigraphically younger, sample (Sachs, 1959, p. 402), the stratigraphic ranges of M. (M.) gunteri and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis overlap in Puerto Rico.

Gravell and Hanna (1937, p. 517) reported the following species from the *Heterostegina* zone of the Anahuac formation of Texas: *Operculinoides ellisorae* and *O. howei* [= Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton)], *Heterostegina israelskyi* and *H. texana* [= *H. antillea*

Cushman], Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) colei [=L. (L.) giraudi R. Douvillé] and L. (L.) texana [=L. (L.) asterodisca Nuttall].

In Panama, L. (L.) asterodisca is known to date only from an undifferentiated part of the Caimito formation. H. antillea ranges from the Bohio formation into the Caimito formation and L. (L.) giraudi extends from the Bohio formation into the La Boca marine member of the Panama formation. C. dia has not been reported from Panama.

In Puerto Rico (Sachs, 1959, p. 401), Camerina dia, Heterostegina antillea, Lepidocyclina asterodisca and L. giraudi occurred in the same sample as did M. (M.) antillea and M. (M.) gunteri. Moreover, this sample contained L. (Eulepidina) undosa, one of the most characteristic species of the Eulepidina zone (Cole, 1957b, p. 35) of the Oligocene.

The Eulepidina zone in Florida extends from the Marianna limestone into the Suwannee limestone (Cole, 1957b, p. 40). However, in Florida miogypsinids have not been found in association with Eulepidina. They occur in sediments which lie above the top of the Eulepidina zone, but below the Tampa limestone, which is not known to contain lepidocyclinids or miogypsinids.

Woodring (1957, p. 37) has written as follows concerning the correlation of the Culebra formation: "According to Vaughan's data, the corals favor correlation with the Anguilla formation of Anguilla, which contains no orbitoids. The mollusks also favor correlation with the Anguilla and other formations of the same age, including the Tampa limestone of Florida, which also contains no orbitoids."

Akers and Drooger (1957, p. 666) suggested that the Tampa limestone should be placed in the "Tortonian or possibly late Helvetian" stages of the middle Miocene. Woodring (1960, p. 31) recently has written "It may be pointed out that the type locality of Miogypsina cushmani, shown by Akers and Drooger (1957, fig. 1) as a Helvetian (middle Miocene) species, is in the Culebra formation, which is assigned to the early part of the early Miocene on the basis of its molluscan fauna."

In Panama the major development of the miogypsinids occurred below the Culebra formation, as only two species have been authenticated from the Culebra and the La Boca marine member of the Panama formation. These are M. (M.) antillea and M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch.

Although Drooger (1952) did not mention M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi, he did identify specimens under other names all of which Cole (1957a, p. 323) considered to be synonyms of M. (M.) staufferi. This species seemingly is the youngest one of the American miogypsinid series.

M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi occurred in the Port St. Joe test well, Gulf County, Florida, (Cole, 1938, p. 19) about 160 feet above the first occurrence of Heterostegina texana (=H. antillea) and about 190 feet above the first occurrence of M. (M.) gunteri. In this well M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi was associated with Operculinoides forresti $(= Camerina \ dia)$.

Later, Cole (1957b, p. 32) identified M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi from a sample from the Morne Diablo quarry in association with Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton), Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) giraudi R. Douvillé, L. (L.) mantelli (Morton) and L. (L.) waylandvaughani Cole.

Woodring (1960, p. 29) stated recently "according to a communication from H. G. Kugler, the Morne Diablo limestone, now completely removed for road metal, was a rootless mass of reef limestone immersed in the Lengua and Cruse formations. Marls interbedded with the upper part of the reef limestone, containing a flood of Lepidocyclina forresti, yielded Foraminifera of the Globorotalia fohsi barisanensis subzone. In central and eastern Trinidad that subzone is found in strata containing late early Miocene and early middle Miocene mollusks. Kugler suggests that the Morne Diablo limestone represented an abbreviated reef facies of considerable time span. The occurrence of Lepidocyclina forresti elsewhere in late Oligocene deposits and in the Globorotalia fohsi barisanensis subzone indicates that L. forresti, a lepidocycline species, has a range of late Oligocene to late early or early middle Miocene and is the youngest species of the genus in the entire Caribbean region."

The specimens for which Woodring used the name Lepidocyclina forresti seemingly are the same as those which Cole (1957b, p. 38) identified as L. (L.) mantelli. The specimens from Morne Diablo quarry studied by Cole were supposedly from the Globigerinatella insueta zone (Cole, 1957b, p. 32).

Van den Bold (1957, p. 233) wrote concerning the relationship of the Morne Diablo limestone to the Ste. Croix limestone that the ostracodes "suggest that the Ste. Croix limestone is roughly the equivalent of the Tampa/Catahoula or Alum Bluff. The Morne Diablo limestone appears to be slightly older. . ." On a diagram he placed the Ste. Croix and Morne Diablo limestones in the Globigerinatella insueta zone.

As the Globorotalia fohsi barisanensis subzone immediately overlies the Globigerinatella insueta zone, the evidence from planktonic Foraminifera and ostracodes concerning the stratigraphic position of the Morne Diablo limestone is in close agreement.

In Panama the following species are known to occur above the Globorotalia kugleri zone: Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea, *M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi, Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) canellei, L. (L.) giraudi, *L. (L.) miraflorensis, L. (L.) waylandvaughani and L. (Eulepidina) yurnagunensis. Of the seven species, the two starred are restricted to the Miocene.

The fauna of larger Foraminifera of the Morne Diablo limestone has 6 species, of which 5 occur in Pan-

ama above the Globorotalia kugleri zone including the short-ranged species M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi. The other short-ranged Miocene species of Panama, L. (L.) miraflorensis, is not known from the Morne Diablo limestone. However, the Morne Diablo limestone does contain the long-ranged L. (L.) mantelli, which to date (1961) has not been reported from Panama.

Table 1 shows the stratigraphic distribution of the larger Foraminifera in the Oligocene and Miocene of

the Panama Canal Zone and adjoining areas of Pan-vama, and the stratigraphic distribution of these species in other selected areas.

Of 19 species listed in Table 1, 10 are confined to the Oligocene as defined by Woodring for the Panama Canal Zone and adjacent areas. Two species, Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) miraflorensis and M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi, are restricted to the lower Miocene. The other seven species are abundant in the Oligocene, but occur infrequently in the lower Mio-

TABLE 1. Stratigraphic distribution of some larger Foraminifera in the Oligocene and Miocene

		Pana	ama		F	lorid	a	Texas	Trinidad
Species	Bohio formation	Caimito formation	Culebra formation	La Boca member of the Panama formation	Marianna limestone (1, 2)	Suwannee limestone (1)	Suwannee limestone (2)	Anahuac formation of Ellisor, 1944 (2)	Morne Diablo limestone
Oligocene species						1			
Miogypsina (Miogypsina) gunteri Cole	$\frac{X}{X}$								
Heterostegina antillea Cushman	<u>X</u>	X		_			_	X	_
Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman	X	X	_		<u>X</u>	X	X		
vaughani Cushman	X	X				ļ			
Upper Oligocene species									
Camerina panamensis (Cushman)	_	X	_						
Heterostegina panamensis Gravell		X		-		-			_
Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) asterodisca Nuttall		X	_		-]		X	_
(Eulepidina) dartoni Vaughan	-	$\frac{\overline{X}}{X}$	_	_	ļ				-
tournoueri Lem. and R. Douvillé Miogypsina (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis Cushman	-	X				-		-	-
	-	1	_			<u> </u>		-	-
Oligocene to Miocene species	37	***	37						1
Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) canellei Lem, and R. Douvillé	X	$\frac{X}{X}$	X	X	37		37	37	2
giraudi R. Douvillé waylandvaughani Cole	$-\frac{X}{X}$	$\frac{X}{X}$	X	X	X	-	X	X	2
(Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman	$-\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{X} \end{vmatrix}$	$\frac{\lambda}{X}$	$\frac{\mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{X}}$		-	$\frac{1}{X}$			- 4
Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman)	$-\frac{\Lambda}{X}$	$\frac{\Lambda}{X}$	$\frac{\Lambda}{X}$		_	-	-	-	- -
Lower Miocene species	- 2		-					-	-
Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) miraflorensis Vaughan			v	v					
Miogypsina (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch	_		$\frac{X}{X}$	$\frac{X}{X}$	-		-		-
Oligocene and Miocene species not found in Panama		-			-				
Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton)					37	37	3.		
Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) mantelli (Morton)				-	$\begin{array}{ c c }\hline X\\ X \end{array}$	$-\frac{X}{X}$	X	X	
(1) Surface: (2) subsurface	1	1	1	1	IA	TX		1	

⁽¹⁾ Surface; (2) subsurface

cene. The data available suggest that with proper interpretation these larger Foraminifera can be used satisfactorily for correlation and for the recognition of the Oligocene-Miocene boundary in the Americas.

Moreover, this analysis demonstrates that the major development of the miogypsinids occurred in the Oligocene, as four of the five species recognized by Cole (1957a) are present in the upper Oligocene. Additionally, M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi is a useful species to identify lower Miocene, as Butterlin (1958, p. 595) recently stated. However, M. (M.) antillea, because of its longer stratigraphic range, is most useful where it is associated with other species.

Although Puri and Vernon (1959, p. 93) have correlated the upper part of the Suwannee limestone, which contains the Miogypsina-Heterostegina zone in Florida, with the Tampa limestone, the analysis given here indicates that only that part of the subsurface Suwannee limestone which contains M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi should be correlated with the basal Tampa limestone (Miocene). The actual Miogypsina-Heterostegina zone (= Miogypsina subzone of the Eulepidina zone), marked in the subsurface of Florida by the occurrence of Heterostegina antillea and associated species, must be retained in the Oligocene. If this is done, the Florida subsurface section and that of Panama are in conformity.

Cole (1957b, p. 34; 1958a, p. 220) outlined a zonation for the American Oligocene and Miocene on the basis of larger Foraminifera as follows:

Lower Miocene - Lepidocyclina - Miogypsina zone

Upper - Miogypsina subzone

Oligocene - Eulepidina zone

Lower - Lepidocyclina s. s. subzone

Data presented in Table 1 support this zonation, except that *L.* (*Eulepidina*) yurnagunensis, formerly placed in the subgenus *Lepidocyclina*, is known to occur in the lower Miocene. However, all the other species of *Eulepidina* seemingly are confined to the Oligocene.

It is entirely possible that *L. yurnagunensis* is a zone breaker, or it may be that the occasional specimens encountered in the Miocene of Panama are reworked specimens. However, these infrequent occurrences of this species above the Oligocene do not destroy the essential validity or practical use of the zones and subzones.

MIOGYPSINID ZONES OF THE GULF COASTAL AREA

The miogypsinids in the subsurface sediments of the Gulf Coast area occur in three zones arranged stratigraphically from oldest to youngest as follows: 1. Miogypsinoides complanatus zone, 2. Miogypsina (Miogypsina) gunteri-M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis-M. (M.) antillea zone, and 3. M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi zone (Cole, 1957a, p. 324). All of these spe-

cies occur in subsurface samples from Florida except Miogypsinoides complanatus which on the Gulf Coast is known only from Louisiana.

M. complanatus occurs in surface samples from Puerto Rico where Galloway and Heminway (1941, p. 288) reported it associated with Heterostegina antillea, Lepidocyclina cf. L. parvula (= L. (L.) giraudi) and L. cf. L. tournoueri. In Mexico, M. complanatus occurs in surface samples with Heterostegina antillea and L. (L.) waylandvaughani (Cole, 1957a, p. 319). These associations suggest it belongs in the Miogypsina subzone of the Eulepidina zone of the Oligocene. In Louisiana, it is reported below the occurrence of the species of Miogypsina (Miogypsina) (Akers and Drooger, 1957, p. 675).

Although the suggestion has been made (Akers and Drooger, 1957) that the miogypsinid zones of the subsurface of the Gulf Coastal Area extend from Chattian into the Helvetian, the analysis would indicate that these zones are confined to the Chattian and basal Aquitanian. Moreover, the Anahuac formation of the subsurface of Texas which Akers and Drooger (1957, fig. 1) placed in the Aquitanian and Burdigalian should be assigned to the *Miogypsina* subzone of the *Eulepidina* zone of the Oligocene on the basis of larger Foraminifera.

In Florida, the miogypsinids which have been found occur above the occurrence of *Eulepidina* in wells (Cole, 1938, p. 19) and supposedly below the Tampa limestone (Cole, 1938, p. 9; 1941, p. 10; Applin and Applin, 1944, p. 1750). It is apparent, however, that certain of the miogypsinids in the Port St. Joe test well (at 700-721 feet *Miogypsina hawkinsi* and *M. venezuelana* = *M.* (*Miolepidocyclina*) staufferi) represent a species which in Trinidad and Panama is restricted to the Miocene. Therefore, this part of the section in the Port St. Joe test well may represent basal Tampa limestone.

However, that part of the section in which Heterostegina antillea, M. (Miogypsina) gunteri and M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis occur is definitely Oligocene in the Miogypsina subzone of the Eulepidina zone as these species are not known elsewhere to extend above the top of the Oligocene.

The faunas of larger Foraminifera from the Gulf Coastal area in the Oligocene contain relatively few species compared with the faunas of the Caribbean region and Panama. Therefore, it is reasonable to ascribe the occurrence of the miogypsinids in the upper Oligocene of Florida without the associated lepidocycline species known to occur with them elsewhere to unfavorable ecological conditions.

COMPARISON OF THE OLIGOCENE SECTION OF THE THURMAN WELL WITH OTHER WELLS

In the Thurman No. 2 well, Coffee County, Georgia, the M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi zone is missing.

The first definite Oligocene is indicated at 460-470 feet by the presence of M. (Miogypsina) gunteri which is accompanied by the longer-ranging species M. (M.) antillea. Eulepidina appears in this well at 660-670 feet or 200 feet below the first appearance of M. (M.) gunteri. In the Port St. Joe test well, Gulf County, Florida, Eulepidina appeared 127 feet below the first appearance of M. (M.) gunteri.

The miogypsinid zone which was encountered at a depth of 450 feet in the Thurman well is correlated with the miogypsinid zone in the Port St. Joe test well (Cole, 1938, p. 19), Gulf County, Florida, which was recognized at a depth of 860 feet with the first appearance of *Heterostegina antillea*. The specimens

of M. (M.) gunteri first appeared in the Port St. Joe test well at a depth of 890 feet, or 30 feet below the first appearance of Heterostegina antillea.

In the Port St. Joe test well, Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa was recovered at a depth of 1017 feet, or approximately 130 feet below the first appearance of M. (M.) gunteri.

In two wells in the vicinity of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida (Cole, 1945), an Oligocene section was penetrated which is similar to the one encountered in the Thurman well below the miogypsinid zone, although that zone was not found in these Florida wells. The depth of first appearance of certain diagnostic species below the miogypsinid zone is shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2. Comparison of the Oligocene section

	Depth of first appearance (feet)					
Species	Thurman well	City of Tallahassee well	Dale Mabry Field well			
Streblus mexicanus mecatepecensis (Nuttall)	590	230	139			
Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton)	660	280	144			
Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman	660	280	144			
yurnagunensis Cushman	940		212.6			
suwanneensis Cole	940	349	218.6			
Dictyoconus floridanus (Cole)	910	362	226			
Helicostegina polygyralis (Barker)	*1070	*405	*308			

^{*} Top of Eocene

The wells in the vicinity of Tallahassee have an Oligocene section approximately 170 feet thick between the first occurrence of *Streblus mexicanus mecatapecensis* and that of *Helicostegina polygyralis* (top of the Eocene). The comparable section in the Thurman well is approximately 480 feet thick.

EOCENE

The first appearance of undoubted Eocene species in the Thurman No. 2 well occurred at 1070-1080 feet. Three species deserve special comment. Asterocyclina nassauensis Cole was described from an upper Eocene sample (505-508 feet) from the St. Mary's River Oil Corporation, Hilliard Turpentine Company No. 1 well in Nassau County, Florida (Cole, 1944, p. 33). Helicostegina polygyralis was recognized first in the subsurface of Florida in a well drilled in Lafayette Park in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida (Cole, 1945, p. 19) as Helicolepidina paucispira. Recently, it was proven that Helicolepidina paucispira is a synonym of Helicostegina polygyralis (Cole, 1960a, p. 58). The third species is Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa, a characteristic upper Eocene species from Trinidad.

Although the specimens on which the identification of A. nassauensis and H. polygyralis is based were satisfactory, those used for the identification of L. (P.) pustulosa were not. Therefore, this identification might be questioned.

Although A. nassauensis has not been authenticated

except at its type locality, it is a characteristic and easily recognizable species and readily distinguished from A. asterisca, a somewhat similar Ocala species. H. polygyralis is widely distributed in the Eocene of the Caribbean region occurring in Trinidad, Mexico and Panama.

The specimens referred to as L. (Pliolepidina) ocalana occurred at 1150-1160 feet. Recently, Sachs (written communication) has demonstrated that L. (Pliolepidina) montgomeriensis Cole, formerly L. mortoni Cushman, is one of the possible thin variants of L. (P.) ocalana. The specimens from the Thurman well are of this type.

THE SPECIES

As the species have been described and illustrated adequately in many publications, detailed descriptions are omitted. However, the critical species are illustrated and citations are given to publications which contain illustrations and synonomies.

Family CAMERINIDAE Genus Camerina Bruguière, 1792 For references see: Cole, 1960b; 1961.

> Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton) Plate 7, figures 9, 10, 14, 15

1958. Operculinoides dia (Cole and Ponton). Cole, Bull. Am. Paleontology, v. 38, no. 173, p. 270, 271, pl. 34, figs. 2-4, 6, 9.

The four specimens illustrated show the variation in individual specimens referred to this species. Figures 9, 10, plate 7, are the kind formerly referred to O. antiguensis Vaughan and Cole or O. muiri Barker, whereas those illustrated by figures 14, 15, plate 7, would have been identified as O. vicksburgensis Vaughan and Cole or O. bullbrooki Vaughan and Cole.

Family MIOGYPSINIDAE Genus Miogypsina Sacco, 1893 Subgenus Miogypsina Sacco, 1893 Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman) Plate 7, figures 1-7

1957. Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman). Cole, Bull. Am. Paleontology, v. 37, no. 163, p. 320, pl. 26, figs. 6, 7; pl. 28, figs. 1-9; pl. 29, figs. 1-9.

FIGURES 1, 2, PLATE 7, should be compared especially with figure 9, plate 28 (Cole, 1957a).

Miogypsina (Miogypsina) gunteri Cole Plate 7, figures 8, 11

1957. Miogypsina (Miogypsina) gunteri Cole. Cole, Bull. Am. Paleontology, v. 37, no. 163, p. 321, 322, pl. 26, figs. 1-4, 8, 9; pl. 27, fig. 1.

The embryonic chambers are separated from the apex of the test by the coil of periembryonic chambers, whereas in *M.* (*M.*) antillea the second embryonic chamber is not separated from the marginal fringe by periembryonic chambers.

Family DISCOCYCLINIDAE Genus Asterocyclina Gümbel, 1870 Asterocyclina nassauensis Cole Plate 6, figures 1, 10

1944. Discocyclina (Asterocyclina) nassauensis Cole, Florida Geol. Survey Bull. 26, p. 79-81, pl. 1, fig. 16; pl. 2, figs. 1, 2, 5, 6; pl. 12, figs. 5, 6; pl. 24, figs. 1-8.

Externally and in equatorial section, this species resembles Asterocyclina asterisca (Guppy) of which A. georgiana (Cushman) is a synonym. The vertical sections are different as shown by comparison of the vertical sections of the type specimens and of the specimen illustrated with those of specimens referred to A. asterisca from Florida (Cole, 1949, fig. 3, pl. 55) and from Trinidad (Cole, 1958b, fig. 13, pl. 33).

Family LEPIDOCYCLINIDAE* Subfamily HELICOLEPIDININAE

Genus Helicostegina Barker and Grimsdale, 1936 For references see: Cole, 1960a, p. 58.

Helicostegina polygyralis (Barker) Plate 6, figures 2, 3

1960. Helicostegina polygyralis (Barker). Cole, Contr. Cushman Found, Foram. Research, v. 11, pt. 2, p. 59, pl. 10, figs. 2-11; pl. 12, figs. 1-5, 7-10, 12.

* The classification which has been adopted tentatively for the Treatise of Paleontology will be used here.

Subfamily LEPIDOCYCLININAE Genus Lepidocyclina Gümbel, 1870 Subgenus Pliolepidina H. Douvillé, 1917 Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) ocalana Cushman Plate 6, figures 4, 5

The equatorial section should be compared with the specimen identified as *L.* (*Lepidocyclina*) mortoni Cushman (Cole, 1944, pl. 16, fig. 10) and the vertical section should be compared with specimens identified as *L.* (*L.*) mortoni and *L.* (*L.*) ocalana and its supposed varieties (Cole, 1941).

Cole (1957b, p. 31) has stated that "... all the variants of *L. ocalana* should be combined under this specific name. To this list should be added *L. georgiana* Cushman which is a synonym of *L. ocalana*." Sachs (unpublished data) considered *L. (L.) montgomeriensis* Cole (= *L. (L.) mortoni*) to be another synonym, a conclusion with which Cole agrees.

Inasmuch as L. (P.) ocalana belongs to the group of L. (P.) macdonaldi, a species which Cole (1956, p. 221) placed in the subgenus Pliolepidina, it is transferred to this subgenus.

Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé Plate 6, figures 6, 8, 9

1953. Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé. Cole, U. S. Geol. Survey Prof. Paper 244, p. 17, pl. 13, fig. 21; pl. 14, figs. 12, 13; pl. 15, figs. 17-21.

1960. Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé. Cole, Micropaleontology, v. 6, no. 2, p. 135, 136, pl. 2, figs. 1-10; pl. 3, figs. 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10; pl. 4, figs. 7, 9.

Only three specimens were available for study and more would have been desirable. The vertical section (FIG. 6, PL. 6) should be compared with the specimen from Panama (Cole, 1953, fig. 11, pl. 13).

Subgenus Eulepidina H. Douvillé Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) suwanneensis Cole Plate 6, figure 7

1945. Lepidocyclina (Nephrolepidina) suwanneensis Cole, Florida Geol. Survey Bull. 28, p. 39-41, pl. 4, figs. 5, 8-10, 12; pl. 7, figs. 1, 14; pl. 11, figs. 6, 7, 11.

This species, known only from two wells in the vicinity of the city of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, is characterized by the arched, slit-like lateral chambers which have thick roofs and floors.

Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman Plate 7, figure 12

1945. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) favosa Cushman. Cole, Florida Geol. Survey Bull. 28, p. 41-43, pl. 4, figs. 3, 4, 7, 11; pl. 8, figs. 1, 2; pl. 9, figs. 1-7; pl. 10, figs. 1-9; pl. 11, fig. 9.

1945. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman. Cole, idem, p. 43, 44, pl. 1, figs. 14, 15; pl. 2, fig. 8; pl. 8, fig. 7; pl. 11, fig. 8. The specimen illustrated should be compared with figure 7, plate 8 (Cole, 1945).

Cole (1953, p. 30) has stated concerning L. (E.) favosa and L. (E.) undosa "It is extremely probable that only one highly variable species is represented, and that L. gigas Cushman is the microspheric form of the combined species."

Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman Plate 7, figure 13

1945. Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) yurnagunensis Cushman. Cole, Florida Geol. Survey Bull. 28, p. 31, pl. 6, figs. 5, 6.

1945. Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) yurnagunensis morganopsis Vaughan. idem., p. 31, 32, pl. 6, figs. 1-4, 7, 8.

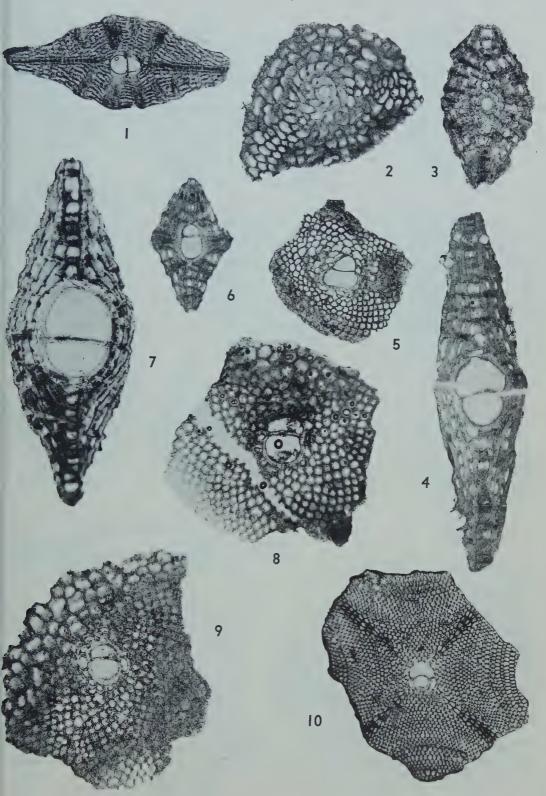
This species assigned previously at various times to the subgenera Nephrolepidina and Lepidocyclina s. s. has been transferred to the subgenus Eulepidina (Cole, 1960a, p. 136), and the subgenus Nephrolepidina has been suppressed under Eulepidina (Cole, 1960a, p. 138).

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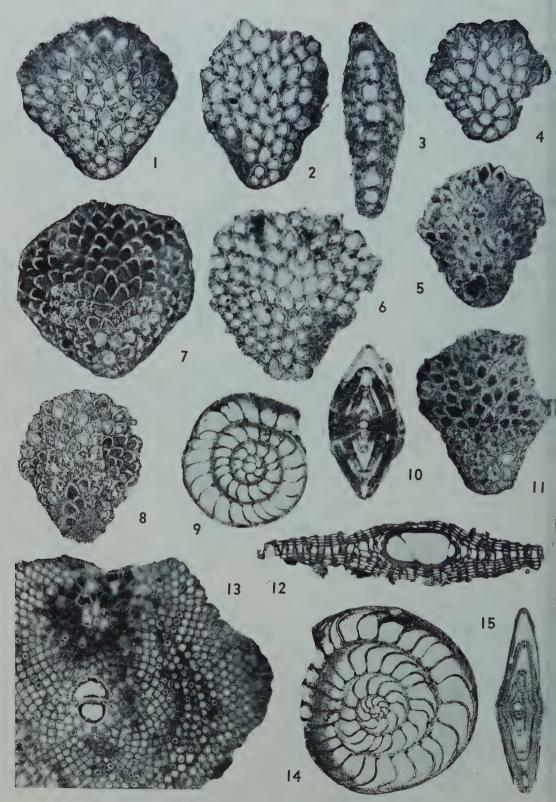
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233. SOME NOMENCLATURAL AND STRATIGRAPHIC PROBLEMS INVOLVING LARGER FORAMINIFERA¹

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ABSTRACT

Additional evidence in support of a theory to explain the development of irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers of some specimens of Lepidocyclina proposed earlier (Cole, 1960b) is advanced, and it is demonstrated that embryonic chambers of this kind occur in Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) vaughani Cushman as well as in the two species analyzed previously. The occurrence of irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers in specimens does not in itself have any stratigraphic significance.

The subgenera of the genus Lepidocyclina are discussed and a key for the recognition of the subgenera is given.

Larger Foraminifera occurring in the Culebra formation (lower Miocene), Panama Canal Zone, are discussed and some of the species are illustrated.

Additional illustrations and notes to assist in the identification of three species of Camerina occurring in the upper Eocene and Oligocene are given.

INTRODUCTION

Although the geographic and stratigraphic distribution of the American species of larger Foraminifera has become better known in recent years, there still remain certain misconceptions based upon erroneous identifications which have been made in the past. Moreover, the classification of these organisms both at the generic and specific level has not been accepted completely. Therefore, this discourse is an attempt to correct certain of the erroneous identifications which have been made and to present additional data on the nomenclature of certain genera and species.

Recently, Eames et al. (1960, p. 448) wrote: "The genus Pliolepidina H. Douvillé 1915 is now regarded as a prior synonym of Multicyclina Cushman 1918, Multilepidina Hanzawa 1932, Cyclolepidina Whipple 1934, and Pliorbitoina Van de Geyn and Van der Vlerk 1935. It is believed that all species referable to this

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genus, whether orginally recorded from the Far East, the Mediterranean region, East Africa or Central America, are of Miocene age."

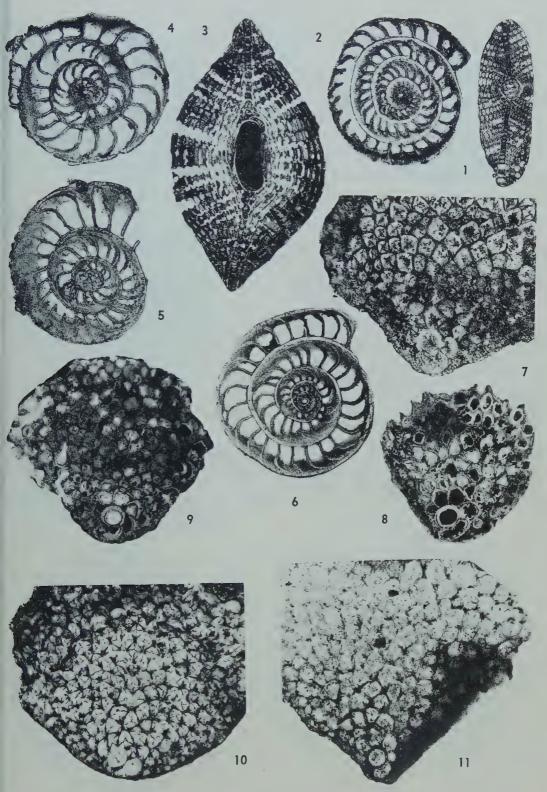
It is obvious from this statement that they are assigning all the specimens of *Lepidocyclina* with large, irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers to *Pliolepidina* which they seemingly elevate from subgeneric to generic rank.

If this interpretation of their statement is correct, they are disregarding two important considerations. First, the American species L. (Pliolepidina) tobleri (= L. (P.) pustulosa) (Cole, 1960b, p. 135) has been found to date only in association with diagnostic Eocene genera and species in Trinidad (Vaughan and Cole, 1941, p. 27; Cole, 1960a, p. 57), Panama (Cole, 1953b, p. 4; Woodring, 1957, p. 20), Curaçoa (Rutten and Vermunt, 1932; Schaub, 1948, p. 1283), Carriacou (Cole, 1958b, p. 220), Venezuela (Woodring, 1927; Gorter and Van der Vlerk, 1932, p. 108, identified incorrectly as L. (Polylepidina) adkinsi), and Mexico (Vaughan and Cole, 1941, p. 67).

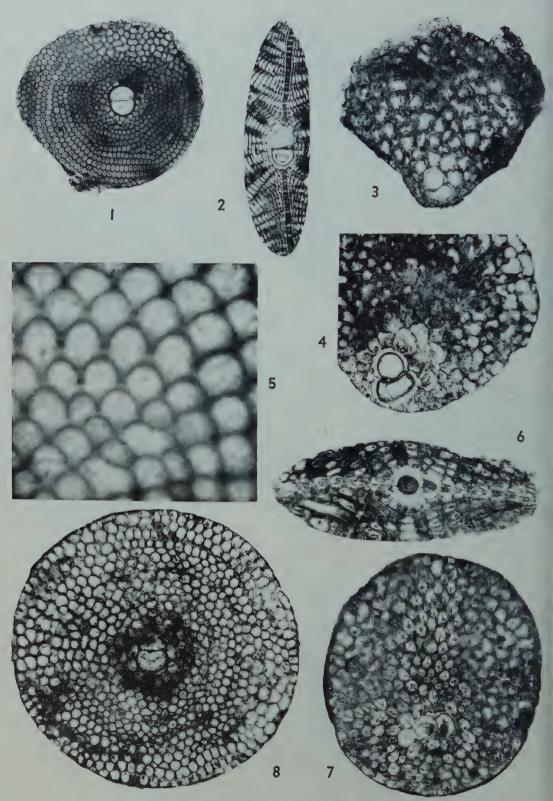
Secondly, specimens with the irregular kind of embryonic chambers are always associated and intergrade with specimens with regular bilocular embryonic chambers. In one proven case this occurs in typical *Pliolepidina* (L. (P.) pustulosa). In two other cases, the intergradation is with specimens with eulepidine embryonic chambers (L. (E.) radiata and L. (E.) vaughani) (Cole, 1960b, and discussion which follows).

If specimens are to be classified solely upon the superficial form of the embryonic chambers without regard to other structures of the test and the life cycle of the species, an artificial classification will result which conceals rather than clarifies the natural relationships. Moreover, such a form classification will result in the assignment of erroneous stratigraphic

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ranges to genera and subgenera, thereby defeating one of the chief objectives of classification.

Thus, under the scheme proposed by Eames et al., their Pliolepidina ranges in the Americas from upper Eocene (L. pustulosa) to upper Oligocene (L. vaughani), whereas in the Indo-Pacific region their Pliolepidina would occur in the Miocene. The names Eocene, Oligocene and Miocene are used here as they are defined in America, and it is not implied that Eames et al. (1960) would agree that their Pliolepidina occurs either in the American Eocene or Oligocene.

To invoke reworking to explain the associations of larger Foraminifera (Eames et al., 1960, p. 448) over the wide areas of the Caribbean area is obscuring rather than clarifying the associations found. There has been general agreement that all of the associations in which L. tobleri (= L, (P), pustulosa) has been found with one exception are upper Eocene, marked by such distinctive genera as Asterocyclina, Pseudo-phragmina, and Helicolepidina, among others.

The only localities in dispute are those near Vamos Vamos, Canal Zone (Woodring, 1957, p. 22) at which all the larger Foraminifera represent an upper Eocene fauna, but the mollusks could be early Oligocene. Woodring (1957, p. 22) has concluded "Pending resolution of the apparently conflicting testimony of the larger Foraminifera and mollusks, a late Eocene or early Oligocene age is assigned to the marine member of the Bohio (?) formation."

If the assumption is correct that "... many of the lowest Miocene beds present have been dated as Eocene, purely on the presence of reworked Eocene fossils, but the occurrence of *Pliolepidina* often shows that they are of lowest Neogene age. ..." (Eames et al., 1960, p. 448), the species with the irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers would be the only indigenous species present at all of the localities from which it is known in the vast Caribbean area.

Localities are known at which only one species is present. Moreover, Cole (1960b, p. 134) has stated "... if suitable ecological conditions are present, the megalospheric gamonts associate rather than separate." However, at every locality at which specimens with irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers have been found, there are specimens with regular bilocular embryonic chambers. These specimens with the regular bilocular chambers are identical in form and all in-

ternal structures, except the embryonic chambers, with those with irregular, multilocular chambers.

If ecological conditions were the only control, and, if all specimens had irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers, it might be possible to make the assumption that these specimens represented one distinct subgenus developed at one stage in the geologic record and that associated specimens were reworked. But, if the thesis is accepted that the specimens with irregular, multilocular embryonic chambers are caused by an association of gamonts, and are but one possible form of a species, the presence or absence of this particular kind of embryonic chamber does not have any stratigraphic significance.

The specimens used in this study are deposited temporarily in the Cole collection at Cornell University and eventually will be transferred to the U. S. National Museum.

LOCALITIES

Trinidad

Loc. 1 - Vista Bella, San Fernando; upper Eocene; H. G. Kugler, collector, May 1932. Kugler (letter dated 19 December 1960) stated: "In May 1932 I collected samples of well preserved orbitoids at Vista Bella, San Fernando. They are typical San Fernando fm. with a rich fauna of upper Eocene echinoids and a few mollusks" (reference: Cole, 1960b, p. 133).

2 - K1316 and K1499, Soldado Rock; upper Eocene; H. G. Kugler, collector (reference: Vaughan and Cole, 1941, p. 50).

3 - Steep bank on east (waiting rooms) side of San Fernando Railway Station; upper Eocene; JS 899, John B. Saunders, collector; JS 899 represents the same locality as K R 25684, the type locality of the *Globorotalia cerroazulensis* zone (upper Eocene) in Trinidad (references: Bolli, 1957, p. 160; Cole, 1960a, p. 57).

4 - Cipero formation, "Flat Rock tongue," Cipero Coast, type section; Oligocene; Bo 126 - Texaco Cat. No. 221,818, sent by H. Bolli at the request of H. G. Kugler (references: Stainforth, 1948, p. 1298; Bolli, 1957, p. 103).

Panama Canal Zone

Loc. 5 - 123, Río Chilibrillo, 0.6 mile in direct line below bridge on road to Madden Airfield. Mediumgrained somewhat calcareous and somewhat tuffa-

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7. Equatorial section, × 40; loc. 6.

ceous sandstone, about 1,000 feet above the base of Caimito formation; Oligocene; W. P. Woodring, collector, 1959 (reference: Cole, 1953b, p. 7).

6 - USGS no. 6012c, west side of Gaillard Cut, south of Empire Bridge; Culebra formation, lower Miocene; T. W. Vaughan and D. F. MacDonald, collectors (reference: Woodring, 1957, p. 122).

7 - USGS no. 6015, old quarry 0.3 mile west-northwest of Empire; Culebra formation, lower Miocene; T. W. Vaughan and D. F. MacDonald, collectors (reference: Woodring, 1957, p. 123).

Costa Rica

Loc. 8 - Below bridge across the Reventazon River between villages of Chitaria and Peralta; fossiliferous conglomerate; Oligocene; Enrique Malvassi V, collector (reference: Drooger, 1952, p. 27).

Cuba

Loc. 9 - Just south of El Jique, about 6 miles above the mouth of Yateras River, altitude about 250 feet, USGS loc. 7552; Oligocene; O. E. Meinzer, collector (reference: Vaughan, 1933, p. 22).

United States Florida

Loc. 10 - Roof and wall of cave exposed in road-cut on Florida State Road No. 1, about 150 yards east of bridge over Chipola River just east of Marianna; Marianna limestone, Oligocene; W. S. Cole and G. M. Ponton, collectors, 6 July 1929 (reference: Cole and Ponton, 1930, p. 21).

Mississippi

Loc. 11 - Road below National Cemetery, Vicksburg; Byram marl, Oligocene; C. W. Cooke, collector (reference: Vaughan and Cole, 1936, p. 491).

France

Loc. 12 - Le Sauset, Bouches du Rhône; lower Miocene; gift of the late Helen Jeanne Plummer.

Borneo

Loc. 13 - Djaing Langif, Tabalong District, southeast Borneo; gift to T. W. Vaughan by A. Tobler (reference: Douvillé, 1925, p. 111).

14 - Kahajan (report no. 105 - Kah. I, no. 239, 231.4-232.4 m.); specimen is a gift from I. M. van der Vlerk.

Lau, Fiji

Loc. 15 - Basal foraminiferal limestone, near western end of western lake, Oneata; altitude about 15 feet (references: Ladd and Hoffmeister, 1945, p. 189, locality L466; Cole, 1960b, p. 134).

LARGER FORAMINIFERA OF THE LOWER MIOCENE, CANAL ZONE

Cushman (1918) identified many species from the Panama Canal Zone, several of which were not correctly identified. Lepidocyclina panamensis Cushman (1918, p. 94) was restudied by Vaughan and Cole (1941, p. 66) and placed in the synonomy of L. (Pliolepidina) tobleri ($\equiv L$. (P.) pustulosa) (Cole, 1960b, p. 135).

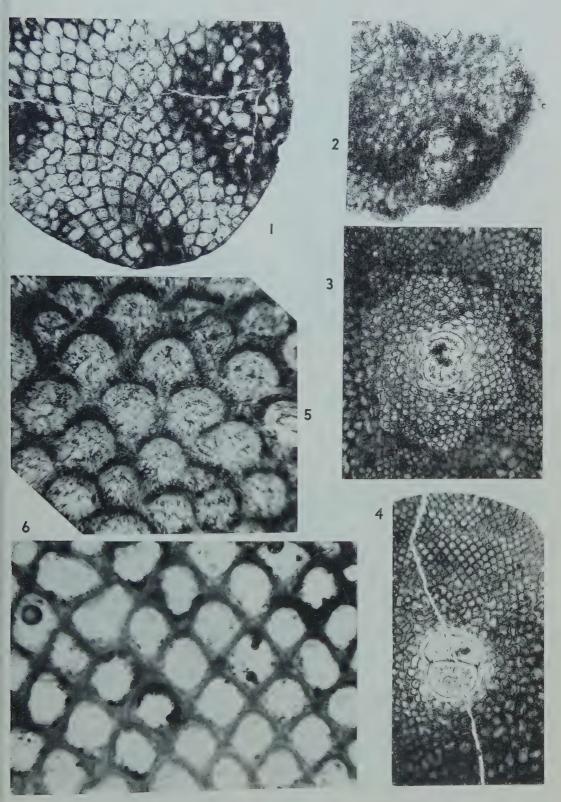
This species was reported as occurring at USGS locs. 6586e, 6587, and 6512 (Cushman, 1918, p. 95). In addition he reported that "... specimens of small orbitoids occur, but they are not sufficiently well preserved for positive identification" at USGS locs. 6010, 6012a and 6012c. He wrote: "Although those from the latter station seem somewhat like L. panamensis in their thin borders and raised center with papillae, they can not be specifically identified with certainty." Finally, he considered that "Specimens doubtfully referable to L. panamensis were obtained in the Emperador limestone, at station 6015, Empire."

In the latest review of the paleontology and stratigraphy of the Canal Zone, Woodring (1957) assigned USGS locs. 6012a (p. 121), 6012c (p. 122) and 6015 (p. 123) to the Culebra formation and USGS loc. 6010 (p. 124) to the La Boca member of the Panama formation.

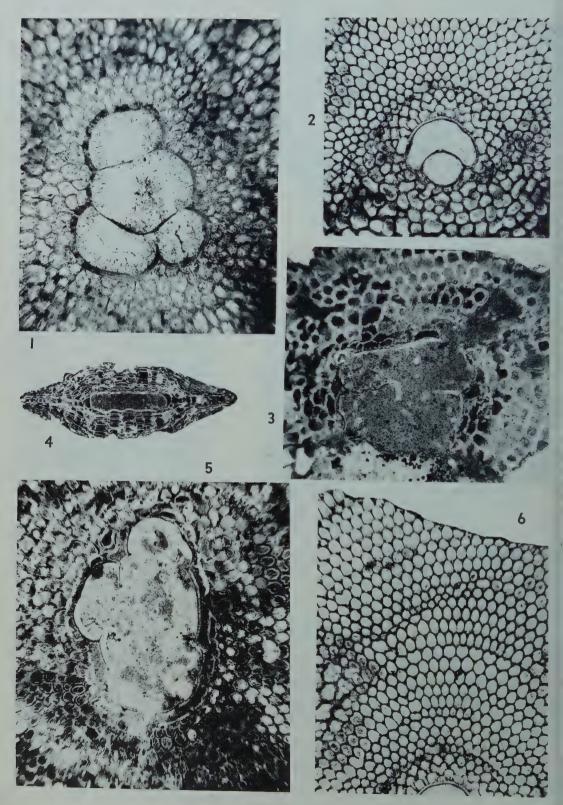
Through the kindness of W. P. Woodring and R. C. Douglass, a search was made without result of the collections of the U. S. National Museum to ascertain if the specimens doubtfully referred by Cushman to L. panamensis at these Culebra localities could be found. However, they sent me parts of the original samples from USGS locs. 6010, 6012c and 6015.

Although larger Foraminifera were not found in the samples from USGS loc. 6010, specimens occurred in the other two samples representing the following species:

EXPLANATION OF PLATE 10 Figs. PAGE 1. Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman) 145 Equatorial section, \times 40; loc. 6. Miogypsina (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch ... 145 Equatorial section, \times 40; loc. 7. 3,4,6. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman 145 3, 4. Parts of equatorial sections, \times 40; loc. 6. 6. Equatorial chambers, × 210, from specimen illustrated as FIGURE 4, PLATE 16; loc. 4. 5. Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé 145 Equatorial chambers, × 210, from specimen illustrated as figure 3, Plate 15; loc. 1.



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Loc. 6012c

Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) canellei Lem. and R Douvillé - PL. 8, FIG. 1;

PL. 9, FIGS. 1, 8

(Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman -PL. 9, FIGS. 2, 5; PL. 10, FIGS. 3, 4

Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman) - PL. 8. FIG. 10; PL. 9, FIG. 4; PL. 10, FIG. 1 (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch - PL. 9,

FIGS. 6, 7

Loc. 6015

Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman) - PL. 8, FIGS. 7, 11; PL. 9, FIG. 3

(Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch - PL. 10, FIG. 2

The type locality of Miogypsina (Miogypsina) cushmani Vaughan (= M. (M.) antillea) is USGS loc. 6012d, a locality which is in the Culebra formation (Woodring, 1957, p. 122). At this locality Cole (1957a, p. 321) found in addition to M. (M.) antillea a single specimen of L. (E.) yurnagunensis.

Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) miraflorensis Vaughan was named from specimens obtained from USGS loc. 6255, a locality in the La Boca marine member of the Panama formation (Woodring, 1957, p. 125). In addition, this species (Cole, 1953a, p. 332) was found in the Culebra formation at USGS locs. 6019f and 6019g (Woodring, 1957, p. 121) and in the Emperador limestone at USGS loc. 5866 (Woodring, 1957, p. 123).

Another species found in the Culebra formation is L. (L.) waylandvaughani Cole at USGS loc. 6019a (Cole, 1953a, p. 336; Woodring, 1957, p. 121). L. (L.) parvula (= L. (L.) giraudi R. Douvillé) was found at

USGS loc. 6257 (Cole, 1953a, p. 335) in the La Boca member of the Panama formation (Woodring, 1957, p. 124). This specimen from USGS loc. 6257 was associated with specimens which were identified as M. (Miolepidocyclina) panamensis (Cole, 1953a, p. 336), but later study has demonstrated they are M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi.

The distribution of the species in lower Miocene of the Canal Zone is shown in Table 1.

Although the larger Foraminifera from 13 localities in the lower Miocene of the Canal Zone have been reexamined, it has been impossible to find any specimens of L. (Pliolepidina) pustulosa. Two of the seven species known to occur in the lower Miocene of the Canal Zone, L. (L.) miraflorensis and M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi, are not known to occur in stratigraphically older formations either in the Canal Zone or elsewhere. The other five species are ones which have long been recognized as Oligocene species.

Three of the species, L. (L.) miraflorensis, M. (Miogypsina) antillea and M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi, occur in some abundance at certain localities, but the other four species are represented by two or three specimens at the best. Moreover, these specimens are often abraided (see: FIG. 1, PL. 8; FIG. 2, PL. 9). Therefore, they may represent, in part, reworked specimens, but this can not be proved with certainty.

MIOGYPSINIDS OF THE LOWER MIOCENE, CANAL ZONE

The genus Miogypsina has been known to occur in the Culebra formation of the Canal Zone since Cushman (1918, figs. 1, 2, pl. 43) figured specimens from

TABLE 1 Occurrence of species of larger Foraminifera in the lower Miocene of the Canal Zone

	Formations					
Species	Culebra	Panama formation				
- <u>r</u> · · · · ·	Culebra fm.	Emperador Is. mem.	La Boca mem.			
L. (L.) canellei Lem. and R. Douvillé	6012 <i>c</i>					
waylandvaughani Cole	6019a					
(E.) yurnagunensis Cushman	6012c; 6012d					
M. (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman)	6011; 6012 <i>c</i> ; 6012 <i>d</i>	6015				
L. (L.) miraflorensis Vaughan	6019f; 6019g	5866	6255			
M. (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch	6012c	6015	6257			
L. (L.) giraudi R. Douvillé			6257			

EXPLANATION OF PLATE 11

1-6. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin)

Figs.

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- 1. Irregular embryonic chambers, × 40; loc. 15.
 2. Regular embryonic chambers, × 40, of a specimen identified by I. M. van der Vlerk as L. (Nephrolepidina) borneensis Provale; loc. 14.
 3, 5. Irregular embryonic chambers, × 40, of specimens similar to those identified by H. Douvillé as Amphilepidina borneensis Provale; loc. 13.
 - Vertical section, × 20; loc. 13
 - 6. Equatorial chambers, × 40, of the specimen illustrated as figure 2.

USGS loc. 6011 under the name Heterosteginoides panamensis. Later, Vaughan (1924, p. 813) decided that Cushman had combined specimens of two species under the name Miogypsina panamensis. He retained the name M. panamensis for the species which occurred in the Caimito formation (upper Oligocene) and gave the name M. cushmani to the specimens which came from the Culebra formation (lower Miocene).

Although Drooger (1952, p. 38) decided that *M. cushmani* was a valid species, Cole (1957a, p. 320) considered that *M. cushmani* was a synonym of *M. antillea*. Moreover, Cole (1953b, p. 35) identified *M. antillea* from the Caimito formation. Thus, the stratigraphic range of this species in Panama would be from the Caimito formation (upper Oligocene) into the Culebra formation (lower Miocene).

Drooger (1952, p. 26) named specimens from Costa Rica M. (Miogypsina) tani and identified (Drooger, 1952, p. 36) other specimens from the Canal Zone as M. intermedia Drooger. The locality from which Drooger obtained this species (USGS loc. 6505) is assigned to the Culebra formation (Woodring, 1957, p. 122). Cole (1957a, p. 320) considered that M. (M.) tani and M. (M.) intermedia were synonyms of M. (M.) antillea.

Through the courtesy of Enrique Malvassi V of the Costa Rican Geological Survey, I received specimens of a Miogypsina which seemingly came from the same locality from which Drooger obtained M. (M.) tani. These specimens were associated with Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman, and two of these Miogypsina are illustrated (FIGS. 8, 9, PL. 8).

If comparisons are made (specifically compare first FIG. 9, PL. 8 with FIG. 3, PL. 9), it will be observed that these specimens, one from Costa Rica and the other from Panama, are identical. If FIGURE 9, PL. 8 is compared with a specimen from the Caimito formation (Cole, 1957a, fig. 9, pl. 28), the identity of these specimens will be established.

Other specimens from the Culebra formation identified as M. (Miogypsina) antillea (FIGS. 7, 10, 11, PL. 8; FIGS. 3, 4, PL. 9) are illustrated and should be compared with other illustrations which have been published of M. (M.) antillea.

The other species of *Miogypsina* from the Culebra formation is *M.* (*Miolepidocyclina*) staufferi Koch (FIGS. 6, 7, PL. 9; FIG. 2, PL. 10). FIGURE 7, PLATE 9 should be compared with other specimens assigned to this species (Cole, 1957a, figs. 1-7, pl. 30).

MULTIPLE EMBRYONIC CHAMBERS IN LEPIDOCYCLINA

Illustrations of equatorial sections of Lepidocyclina in which multiple or otherwise irregular embryonic chambers occurred were published at least as early as 1909 (Provale, figs. 18, 19, pl. 3). These specimens which Provale named Lepidocyclina tournoueri borneensis (= L. (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin)) were

associated with other specimens referred by her to this species which had regular nephrolepidine embryonic chambers. These specimens were from the Miocene of Borneo.

Later, Douvillé (1925, p. 109, text fig. 83) figured a specimen from another locality in Borneo which he identified as *Amphilepidina borneensis* which had irregular embryonic chambers. Fortunately, there were specimens from this locality in the collections of the U. S. National Museum sent to T. W. Vaughan by A. Tobler. Thin sections prepared from these specimens are illustrated as figures 3-5, plate 11.

The specimen illustrated by figure 5, plate 11 is similar to the one figured by Douvillé (1925, p. 109, text fig. 83). The other specimen (fig. 3, pl. 11) has large, irregular, bilocular embryonic chambers.

Through the courtesy of I. M. van der Vlerk, other specimens which he identified as L. borneensis Provale from Borneo were available for comparison. The figured specimen (FIGS. 2, 6, PL. 11) has regular nephrolepidine embryonic chambers. All the specimens, however, have equatorial chambers which are identical and vertical sections which are similar. Therefore, the only difference in internal structure is in the configuration of the embryonic chambers.

Cole (1960b) discussed the occurrence of multiple embryonic chambers in Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin) from the Miocene of the Indo-Pacific region and in L. (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé from the upper Eocene of the Caribbean area. He explained the development of such embryonic apparati as a normal phenomenon of the reproductive cycle possibly controlled in part by ecological conditions.

In selecting the specimens for that study (Cole, 1960b), it was observed that certain localities yielded more specimens of a given species with multiple or otherwise irregular embryonic chambers than did other localities. Moreover, some localities at which the species was found had only specimens with regular embryonic chambers. However, not a single locality was found at which all the specimens had irregular embryonic chambers. When such specimens were found, they were always associated with a considerable number of specimens with regular embryonic chambers.

In 1953(b) Cole published a report on the larger Foraminifera of the Panama Canal Zone and vicinity based on extensive collections made by W. P. Woodring. One of the common species in the Caimito formation of upper Oligocene age is Lepidocyclina vaughani Cushman. Cole (1953b) illustrated a specimen of this species as figure 1, plate 21, describing this equatorial section as "showing an abnormal development of the embryonic chambers." On this same plate he illustrated several other equatorial sections of L. vaughani from other localities, all of which show normal nephrolepidine embryonic chambers.

At the time the study was made, 5 specimens from locality 123, the one at which the "abnormal" speci-

men (Cole, 1953b, fig. 1, pl. 21) was found, were cut to the equatorial plane. Four of these specimens had normal embryonic chambers and the fifth one with the "abnormal" embryonic chambers was prepared for the illustration cited above.

Inasmuch as one "abnormal" specimen was found at this locality, it seemed reasonable in view of the associations found when the specimens were selected for the discourse on "Variability in embryonic chambers of *Lepidocyclina*" (Cole, 1960b) that other specimens with "abnormal" embryonic chambers might be recovered from this same sample. Therefore, 40 additional specimens were ground to the equatorial plane.

Eight of these were of sufficient interest to complete the equatorial section (FIGS. 1-6, PL. 12; FIGS. 1-6, PL. 13). The most interesting specimen (FIG. 4, PL. 12) has nearly normal embryonic chambers (lower right side) adjacent to which are a complex set of embryonic chambers. This illustration should be compared with one of those of L. (Eulepidina) radiata (Cole, 1960b, fig. 1, pl. 1) and with those of L. (Pliolepidina) pustulosa (Cole, 1960b, figs. 5, 7, pl. 2). The same phenomenon is shown by all of these specimens.

FIGURE 2, PLATE 12 represents a specimen with normal nephrolepidine embryonic chambers which are well within the range of variation previously recognized in L. vaughani (see: Cole, 1953b, figs. 2-4, 13, 14, pl. 21). FIGURE 5, PLATE 12 illustrates a specimen with embryonic chambers of the kind variously termed eulepidine or trybliolepidine. FIGURE 1, PLATE 12 shows a specimen in which the second chamber barely embraces the initial chamber. FIGURES 1, 3, 4, PLATE 13 are specimens in which the embryonic chambers are divided into three large chambers.

It should be emphasized that the sample from locality 123 (loc. 5) contained only one species of larger Foraminifera, namely *L. vaughani*, although the sample was large and completely analyzed.

If the sequence of illustrations of *L. vaughani* given here and those published previously are compared with those of *L. (Eulepidina) radiata* (Cole, 1960b), it will be observed that the degree of variability of the embryonic chambers is the same in both species. These two species have individual specimens which have nephrolepidine embryonic chambers, other specimens have eulepidine or trybliolepidine and still other specimens have multiple or otherwise irregular embryonic chambers.

A sufficient number of specimens of three distinct species have been analyzed to prove without doubt that the embryonic chambers of these species at certain localities are extremely variable, whereas at other localities the embryonic chambers of these same species are normal. In each of these three species, certain individuals have multiple embryonic chambers which are similar, and, therefore, can not in themselves be used to assign the specimen to a subgenus. However, in every case a sufficient number of specimens with

regular embryonic chambers have been found with those with irregular embryonic chambers so that subgeneric assignments can be made.

Moreover, it should be emphasized that this irregularity of development of the embryonic chambers is established so firmly in species of wide geographic and stratigraphic separation that it can be explained only as a circumstance of the reproductive activity of the species. This irregularity may develop in any species regardless of the subgenus to which the species belongs. Thus, multiple or otherwise irregular embryonic chambers do not have any significance in the classification. Cole (1960b, p. 138) wrote: "Therefore, once series have been demonstrated, they will be useful in grouping species into subgenera." However, specimens with irregular embryonic chambers can not be assigned to a subgenus until associated specimens with normal embryonic chambers have been found and studied.

Several subgeneric names, such as Cyclolepidina and Multilepidina, have been proposed for specimens with irregular embryonic chambers, and others (Brönnimann, 1946, p. 373; Grimsdale and Van der Vlerk, 1959, p. 4) have insisted that the emended definition of Pliolepidina by Vaughan and Cole (1941, p. 64) to include specimens of a series with normal to irregular embryonic chambers is not correct. It should be clear that to use nomenclatural devices which separate specimens with regular embryonic chambers from those with irregular embryonic chambers obscures rather than clarifies the natural relationship which may occur in a species. Specimens of the same species would be assigned to two or more subgenera depending on the configuration of the embryonic chambers, if the series concept is not recognized and used.

An additional illustration (FIG. 1, PL. 11) of irregular embryonic chambers of L. (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin) is given for comparison with similar chambers of L. (Eulepidina) vaughani (especially FIG. 1, PL. 13).

Numerous illustrations (Cole, 1960b) have been published to show the irregular embryonic chambers of *L.* (*Pliolepidina*) pustulosa, but to emphasize the irregularities which occur several more illustrations (PL. 14; FIGS. 1-4, PL. 15) are presented. FIGURES 1, 4, PLATE 14 should be compared with figure 5, plate 1 (Cole, 1960b). All three of these illustrations show that several gamonts are responsible for the production of the irregular embryonic chambers.

FIGURE 2, PLATE 14 is a section which was not cut completely to the equatorial plane, therefore only the top of the irregular embryonic chamber is shown. If this section had been completed, the embryonic chambers would resemble those shown in such specimens as FIGURE 1, PLATE 15. In the upper left corner (FIG. 2, PL. 14) bilocular chambers show which are similar to those illustrated previously (Cole, 1960b, fig. 5, pl. 2). These bilocular chambers are regularly phiolepidine in shape and represent the initial development of one

gamont of the sequence which was responsible for the development of the irregular, multilocular embryonic chamber.

SUBGENERA OF LEPIDOCYCLINA

The traditional subdivision of the genus Lepidocyclina into subgenera has been based mainly on the shape and arrangement of the embryonic chambers. Various other structures, such as the number and arrangement of the periembryonic chambers or the position of the stolon systems, have been suggested as characteristics which might be used for the determination of subgenera. However, difficulties have been encountered in the use of all of these structures to define subgenera.

Although these difficulties have been recognized for many years, definite stratigraphic ranges have been assigned to the subgenera. Van der Vlerk (1955, p. 73) and Cole (1960d, p. 12) used the subgenera Nephrolepidina and Eulepidina among other genera and subgenera to define certain zones in the Indo-Pacific region. Eulepidina was assumed to be present in this area in Tertiary d (Oligocene), whereas Nephrolepidina was supposed to appear first in Tertiary e (Miocene). However, Vaughan (1933, p. 8) had written concerning certain American species: "In L. undosa, the chambers may be nephrolepidine or eulepidine." Many other illustrations could be cited to demonstrate that workers were evaluating the subgenera precisely in certain instances, but in other situations were questioning the definitions of the subgenera by implying intergradation.

If subgenera are to be used in classification and if the stratigraphic ranges of these subgenera are to be defined precisely, there must be agreement on the structures by which the subgenera can be recognized. A subgenus based on the shape and arrangement of the embryonic chambers will not have any value if it can be demonstrated that in an interbreeding population certain individuals of a given species have nephrolepidine embryonic chambers whereas other individuals of the same species have eulepidine embryonic chambers, or that some other intergradation occurs.

The subgenera, Polylepidina Vaughan 1924, Pliolepidina H. Douvillé 1917, Lepidocyclina s. s. Gümbel 1870, Nephrolepidina H. Douvillé 1911 and Eulepidina H. Douvillé 1911, have been the commonly accepted ones although many other subgeneric names have been proposed. Recently, Cole (1960b, p. 138) wrote: "Inasmuch as Nephrolepidina, Eulepidina, Trybliolepidina and Multilepidina have been subgeneric names applied to individuals within one species, and, also constitute

one series, they all refer to one distinct type. Tentatively, it is suggested that the subgeneric name *Eulepidina* be applied to this series."

The illustrations of *L. vaughani* show within a species the variation which occurs in the embryonic chambers. The specimens shown as FIGURE 2, PLATE 12, and FIGURE 2, PLATE 13 of this article and those illustrated as figures 2-4, 13, 14, plate 21 (Cole, 1953b) have nephrolepidine embryonic chambers. However, the specimens illustrated as FIGURE 5, 6, PLATE 12 have eulepidine embryonic chambers and the specimen shown as FIGURE 4, PLATE 12 has multilepidine embryonic chambers.

The same variations of embryonic chambers shown by the American Oligocene species, *L. vaughani*, which has been classified until now in the subgenus *Nephrolepidina*, have been demonstrated to occur (Cole, 1960*b*, p. 136) in the Indo-Pacific Miocene species *L. radiata*.

Although the irregular embryonic chambers of the multilepidine kind are known to occur so far in only three species, numerous species are known to possess embryonic chambers which vary from nephrolepidine to eulepidine. Therefore, these two subgenera must be combined.

However, the shape and arrangement of the embryonic chambers is a useful characteristic to assist in defining subgenera provided proper interpretations are made. Moreover, it has become increasingly apparent that other structures must be considered in the definitions of the subgenera. If the subgenera can be defined so that they are readily recognizable, it will be possible to use them for stratigraphic purposes with some certainty.

If the subdivision into subgenera is to be maintained, the definition of each subgenus should be based upon structures which can be observed without difficulty and which show even in poorly preserved specimens. The shape and arrangement of the embryonic chambers, the number and arrangement of the periembryonic chambers and the shape and arrangement of the equatorial chambers are normally the best and most easily observed structures of the equatorial plane. Stolons have the disadvantage that they are often not readily observed. Although vertical sections are useful particularly in specific determinations, they are not satisfactory for generic and subgeneric differentiation.

The following key is proposed for the four subgenera which seemingly can be distinguished. The key is based insofar as the embryonic chambers are concerned on the regular embryonic chambers. Specimens with

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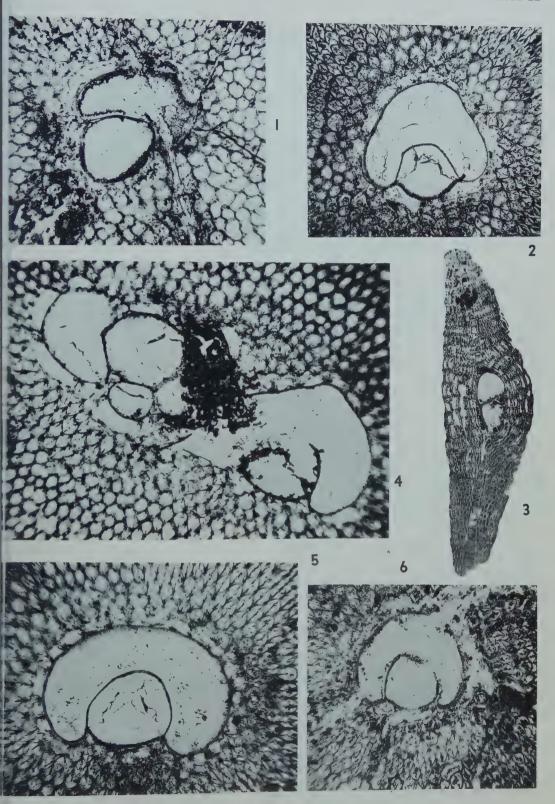
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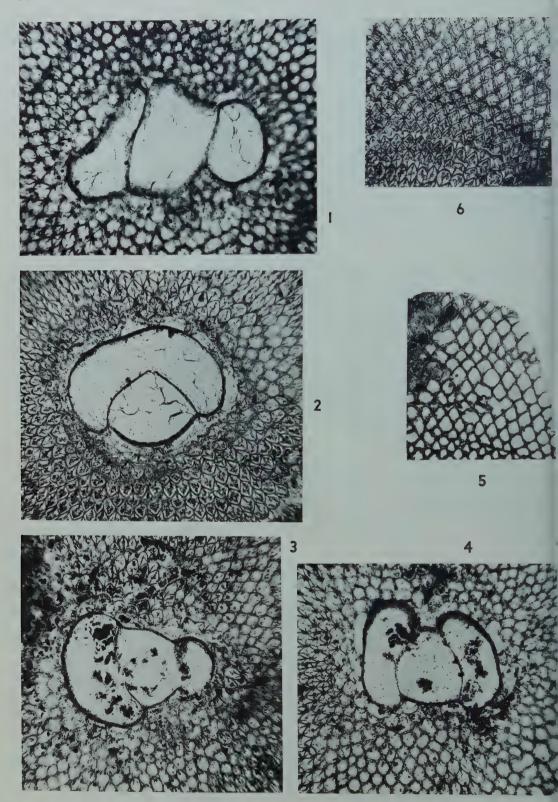
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1, 2, 4-6. Parts of equatorial sections, \times 40, to show the variable shape of the embryonic chambers; loc. 5.

3. Vertical section, \times 20; loc. 5.



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irregular embryonic chambers must be identified by comparison with associated specimens which have regular embryonic chambers. Moreover, it is desirable to have available several equatorial sections in order to observe the variation which occurs in the species.

Key to the subgenera of Lepidocyclina

- A. Initial embryonic chamber not embraced, even slightly, by the second embryonic chamber (see: Cole, 1960a, figs. 1, 3, pl. 12)
 - 1. Initial embryonic chamber distinctly larger than the second embryonic chamber (see: Cole, 1960b, figs. 1, 3, 4, 6, 9, pl. 2)
 - a. Periembryonic chambers large (see: Cole, 1945, fig. 6, pl. 17)
 - 1'. Periembryonic chambers forming at least one distinct spiral of decreasing size chambers which partially surround the embryonic chambers (see: Cole, 1960a, figs. 1, 3, 6, pl. 12)
 - a'. Equatorial chambers arcuate with the tangential diameters longer than the radial diameters (see: Cole, 1960a, figs. 1, 3, 6, pl. 12) Polylepidina.
 - 2'. Periembryonic chambers not forming a distinct spiral (see: Cole, 1960b, figs. 1, 3, 4, 6, 9, pl. 2)
 - a'. Equatorial chambers at the periphery arcuate, ogival or short spatulate (see: Cole, 1960b, figs. 3, 4, pl. 3) Pliolepidina.
 - 2. Initial embryonic chamber the same size, larger, or smaller than the second embryonic chamber (see: Cole, 1957b, fig. 7, pl. 4; figs. 4, 5, pl. 5)
 - a. Common wall between the embryonic chambers usually straight, not distinctly curved (see: Cole, 1953b, figs. 15-22, pl. 16)
 - 1'. Equatorial chambers at periphery hexagonal (see: Cole, 1953b, figs. 15-22, pl. 16) —

 Lepidocyclina s. s.
 - b. Common wall between the embryonic chambers usually curved (see: FIGS. 1-6, PL. 16)
 - 1'. Equatorial chambers at periphery rhombic or ogival (see: FIGS. 5, 6, PL. 13) —

Eulepidina.

- B. Initial chamber slightly or nearly completely embraced by the second chamber (see: FIGS. 2, 5, 6, PL. 12; FIG. 2, PL. 13; FIGS. 1, 3, 6, PL. 16)
 - 1. Periembryonic chambers large or small, but never in a distinct spiral (see: FIG. 2, PL. 12; FIGS. 1, 4, PL. 16)

- a. Common wall between the embryonic chambers curved even if only slightly (see: FIGS. 2-6, PL. 16)
 - 1'. Equatorial chambers at periphery rhombic, ogival, spatulate, short or elongate hexagonal (see: Cole, 1960b, figs. 2, 3, pl. 4) —

Eulepidina.

Although most species can be assigned without difficulty to the proper subgenus by the use of this key, there are a few species which are not so easily placed. Equatorial sections of *L. yurnagunensis* are illustrated by figures 3, 4, plate 10 and by figures 2-6, plate 16. Vaughan (1933, p. 8) wrote concerning this species: "The type of embryonic chambers is not absolutely fixed. In some species, such as *L. yurnagunensis*, the chambers may be those of *Lepidocyclina s. s.* or they may verge toward *Nephrolepidina*." He (Vaughan, 1933, p. 21) assigned this species to the subgenus *Lepidocyclina s. s.*

Cole (1934, p. 24; 1953b, p. 22) followed this subgeneric assignment of *L. yurnagunensis* until recently (Cole, 1960b, p. 136) when he transferred this species to the subgenus *Eulepidina*. Thus, seemingly, at first it might be assumed that *Lepidocyclina s. s.* intergrades with *Eulepidina*, therefore these two subgenera should be combined as has been suggested for *Nephrolepidina* and *Eulepidina*.

FIGURE 1, PLATE 16 is an illustration of a European specimen showing typical eulepidine kind of embryonic chambers. The embryonic apparatus (embryonic and periembryonic chambers) is similar to those of *L. yurnagunensis* (FIGS. 2-6, PL. 16) except that the second embryonic chamber is larger and overlaps the initial chamber to a greater degree.

In three of the specimens of *L. yurnagunensis* (FIGS. 3, 5, 6, PL. 16), the initial chamber is slightly smaller than the second chamber, but in two of the specimens (FIGS. 2, 4, PL. 16) the second chamber is approximately equal to the initial chamber. However, the specimen (FIG. 4, PL. 16) would key to the subgenus *Eulepidina* because of the shape of the equatorial chambers.

All the known, authenticated species of Lepidocyclina s. s. are confined to the American Oligocene and lower Miocene and all of them have hexagonal peripheral equatorial chambers. Species assigned to the subgenus Lepidocyclina s. s. elsewhere seemingly represent other subgenera or even other genera, an example of which is L. (L.) boetonensis van der Vlerk which is a discocyclinid (Cole, 1960d, p. 10).

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1-4. Parts of equatorial sections, \times 40, to show the variable shape of the embryonic cham-

bers; loc. 5. 5,6. Equatorial chambers, × 40; 5, from the specimen illustrated as FIGURE 5, PLATE 12; 6, from the specimen illustrated as FIGURE 2, PLATE 12; loc. 5. The stratigraphic ranges of the four subgenera of Lepidocyclina in the Americas have been determined with some certainty. Polylepidina originated in and is confined to the middle Eocene; Pliolepidina was derived from Polylepidina in the upper middle Eocene and continued into the upper Eocene; Eulepidina developed from Pliolepidina in the uppermost upper Eocene and continued to the end of the Oligocene with its maximum speciation in the upper Oligocene; and Lepidocyclina s. s. was derived from Eulepidina in the lowermost Oligocene and extended into the lower Miocene.

Eulepidina has been found, represented by the species L. (E.) yurnagunensis, in samples from the Culebra formation. However, these may be reworked specimens as they occur rarely and are often abraided. Therefore, the range of Eulepidina is not extended here above the top of the American Oligocene. However, in the Indo-Pacific area Eulepidina, the only authenticated subgenus of Lepidocyclina present in this area, does extend from upper Oligocene (Tertiary d) into the Miocene (Tertiary e and f).

Certain genera, such as Actinosiphon Vaughan, 1929, which have been placed in the same family with the lepidocyclines, are not assigned correctly. These genera occur in stratigraphically older sediments and were extinct before the most primitive subgenus, Polylepidina, of the genus Lepidocyclina originated.

NOTES ON SOME CAMERINIDS

The camerinids with undivided median chambers are difficult to identify. Cole (1958a) reviewed the American species and concluded that the number of species should be reduced drastically. He placed the species which he considered valid in four genera: Camerina, Operculinoides, Operculina and Paraspiroclypeus. Since that time he (1959; 1960c; 1961) has stated that Operculinoides, Operculina and Paraspiroclypeus are synonyms of Camerina, therefore the species formerly assigned to these three genera should be placed in the genus Camerina.

However, this reassignment of the valid species too the genus Camerina neither intensifies nor decreases the difficulty in recognizing certain species. Inasmuch as certain camerinids were found in the samples which were being studied, primarily for specimens of Lepidocyclina, three species will be discussed. These species are: Camerina willcoxi (Heilprin) (FIGS. 1, 10, PL. 17), C. trinitatensis (Nuttall) (FIGS. 3, 5-9, PL. 17), both from the Eocene, and C. dia (Cole and Ponton) (FIGS. 2, 4, 11-14, PL. 17; FIGS. 2, 4-6, PL. 8) from the Oligocene.

Topotypes of C. dia (FIGS. 4, 5, PL. 8; FIGS. 4, 11, PL. 17) were sectioned for comparison with a specimen formerly identified as "Operculinoides" vicksburgensis Vaughan and Cole (FIG. 2, PL. 17) and with specimens from Trinidad formerly named Operculinoides semmesi ciperensis Vaughan and Cole (FIGS. 2, 6, PL. 8; FIGS. 12-14, PL. 17).

Although at first inspection it appears impossible to distinguish these species, detailed analysis will show differences which may be used. However, it should be emphasized that the differences are not striking and much attention must be given to minute details. Moreover, it is advisable to have large numbers of specimens available so that a series can be studied.

C. dia can be separated from the two Eocene species best by study of median sections (FIGS. 2, 4-6, PL. 8). These sections typically have the distal ends of the chamber walls sharply recurved. However, a word of caution is necessary as the other two species may have certain chamber walls which are as sharply recurved distally. Such specimens (FIGS. 1, 9, PL. 17), however, do not have the chamber walls as consistently recurved throughout the entire section as does C. dia.

Normally, *C. trinitatensis*, a small species with a diameter at the maximum of less than 2.5 mm., can be distinguished readily from *C. willcoxi*, a much larger species, by size. The specimens illustrated are about the same size because small specimens of *C. willcoxi* were selected purposely. If the median sections are studied (FIGS. 1, 7, 8, 9, PL. 17), those representing *C. trinitatensis* (FIGS. 7-9, PL. 17) show the height of the coils expanding more rapidly than do the coils of the specimen (FIG. 1, PL. 17) representing *C. willcoxi*.

At most localities where these species occur, there are other species of larger Foraminifera some of which, at least, can be identified easily. The Eocene species commonly occur in association with discocyclinids, lepidocyclinids and others which definitely give the stratigraphic position of the sample. Likewise, *C. dia* is associated with lepidocyclines, miogypsinids and other forms which characterize Oligocene or lower Miocene strata.

It might be argued that these species of camerinids are not stratigraphically important, or that all three species should be combined into one species. However, there are situations at which these species occur without any associated species. In such cases it is important, no matter how difficult it may be, to identify the species correctly. In many test cases from samples whose stratigraphic position was known to others, but not to the writer, he was able to identify the species

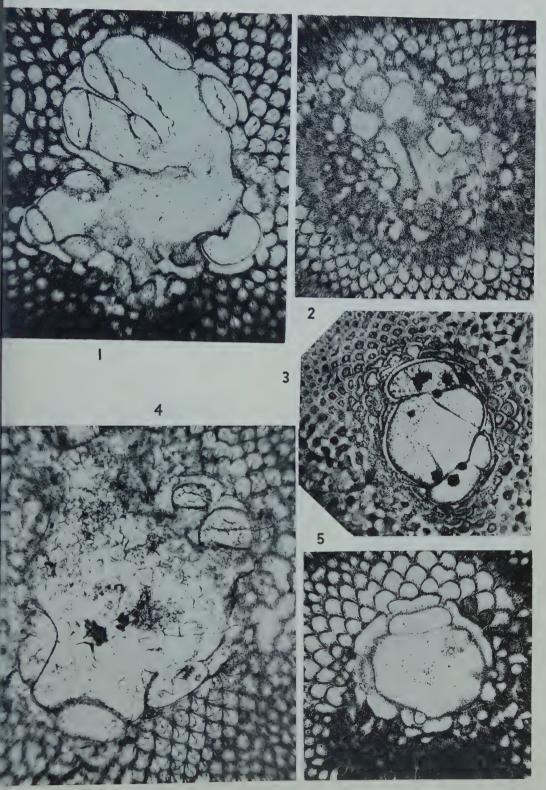
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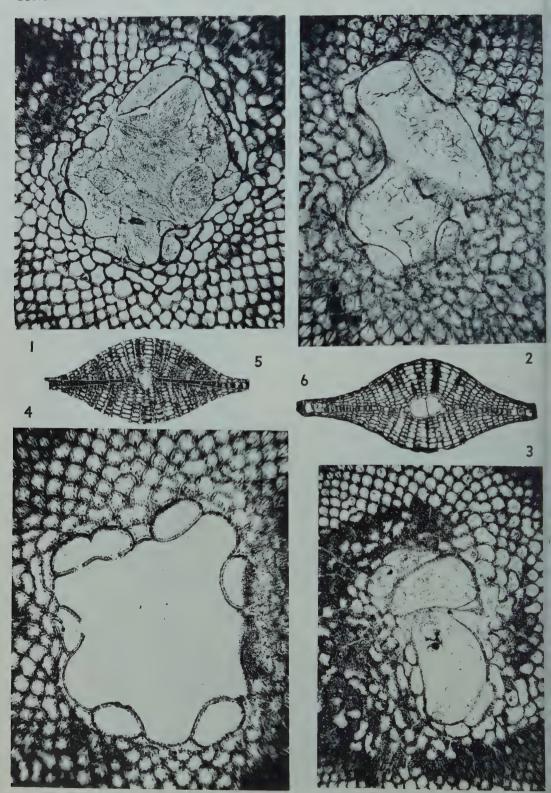
1-5. Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé

1-5. Parts of equatorial sections, × 40, to show the variable shape of the embryonic chambers; 2, not centered, to show the appearance of the embryonic chambers as they are approached in sectioning; loc. 1.

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correctly and, thereby, state whether the sample was Eocene or younger.

THE SPECIES ILLUSTRATED

Family CAMERINIDAE Genus Camerina Brugière, 1792 Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton)

Plate 8, figures 2, 4-6; plate 17, figures 2, 4, 11-14

1958. Operculinoides dia (Cole and Ponton). Cole, Bull. Amer. Paleontology, v. 38, no. 173, p. 270, 271, pl. 34, figs. 2-4, 6, 9.

Camerina trinitatensis (Nuttall) Plate 17, figures 3, 5-9

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Camerina willcoxi (Heilprin) Plate 17, figures 1, 10

1958. Operculinoides willcoxi (Heilprin). Cole, Bull. Amer. Paleontology, v. 38, no. 173, p. 273-276, pl. 33, figs. 1, 3-12.

Family MIOGYPSINIDAE
Genus Miogypsina Sacco, 1893
Subgenus Miogypsina Sacco, 1893
Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman)
Plate 8, figures 7-11; plate 9, figures 3, 4;
plate 10, figure 1

1957. Miogypsina (Miogypsina) antillea (Cushman). Cole, Bull. Amer. Paleontology, v. 37, no. 163, p. 320, 321, pl. 26, figs. 6, 7; pl. 28, figs. 1-9; pl. 29, figs. 1-9.

Subgenus Miolepidocyclina A. Silvestri, 1907 Miogypsina (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch Plate 9, figures 6, 7; plate 10, figure 2

1957. Miogypsina (Miolepidocyclina) staufferi Koch. Cole, Bull. Amer. Paleontology, v. 37, no. 163, p. 323, 324, pl. 30.

Family LEPIDOCYCLINIDAE Genus Lepidocyclina Gümbel, 1870 Subgenus Pliolepidina H. Douvillé, 1917 Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé Plate 8, figure 3; plate 10, figure 5; plate 14; plate 15, figures 1-4

1960. Lepidocyclina (Pliolepidina) pustulosa H. Douvillé. Cole, Micropaleontology, v. 6, no. 2, p. 135, 136, pl. 2, figs. 1-10; pl. 3, figs. 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10; pl. 4, figs. 7, 9.

One specimen is illustrated to show the characteristics of this species as seen in vertical section (FIG. 3, PL. 8).

Subgenus Lepidocyclina Gümbel, 1870 Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) canellei Lem. and R. Douvillé

Plate 8, figure 1; plate 9, figures 1, 8

1953. Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) canellei Lem. and R. Douvillé. Cole, U. S. Geol. Survey Prof. Paper 244, p. 18-20, pl. 16, figs. 1-22; pl. 17, figs. 1-3.

Subgenus Eulepidina H. Douvillé, 1911 Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin) Plate 11, figures 1-6

1960. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) radiata (Martin). Cole, Micropaleontology, v. 6, no. 2, p. 136-138, pl. 1, figs. 1-10; pl. 3, figs. 7, 11; pl. 4, figs. 1-3, 6, 8, 10, 11.

Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) tournoueri Lem. and R. Douvillé Plate 16, figure 1

1959. Lepidocyclina (Nephrolepidina) tournoueri Lem. and R. Douvillé. DROOGER, Micropaleontology, v. 5, no. 4, p. 417-420, pl. 1, figs. 1-4; pl. 2, figs. 1-6.

Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) vaughani Cushman Plate 12; plate 13

1953. Lepidocyclina (Nephrolepidina) vaughani Cushman. Cole, U. S. Geol. Survey Prof. Paper 244, p. 29, 30, pl. 18, figures 14, 15; pl. 20, figs. 1-6; pl. 21, figs. 1-15.

One specimen is illustrated to show the characteristics of the vertical section (FIG. 3, PL. 12). The equatorial sections are discussed in the text of this article.

Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman Plate 9, figures 2, 5; plate 10, figures 3, 4, 6; plate 15, figures 5, 6; plate 16, figures 2-6

1953. Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) yurnagunensis Cushman. Cole, U. S. Geol. Survey Prof. Paper 244, p. 22, 23, pl. 15, figure 3; pl. 17, figs. 5-18; pl. 20, figs. 11, 12.

1953. Lepidocyclina (Lepidocyclina) yurnagunensis morganopsis Vaughan. Cole, idem, p. 23, pl. 15, figs. 1, 2, 4, 5; pl. 23, figs. 5-7, 9.

1960. Lepidocyclina (Eulepidina) yurnagunensis Cushman. Cole, Micropaleontology, v. 6, no. 2, p. 136, pl. 3, fig. 8.

The vertical sections (FIGS. 5, 6, PL. 15) of certain specimens assigned to this species resemble those of L. (L.) canellei (see: Cole, 1953b, fig. 2, pl. 16). However, other specimens (Cole, 1934, fig. 4, pl. 3; Vaughan and Cole, 1941, fig. 1, pl. 38) assigned to L. yurnagunensis are similar to those illustrated (FIGS. 5, 6, PL. 15).

Although a number of specimens from the sample from which the specimens which were made into vertical sections were obtained were ground to the equatorial plane, none were found which had embryonic and equatorial chambers of the kind possessed by L. (L.) canellei. In addition, the wall of the embryonic chambers is much thicker in L. (L.) canellei than that of L. (E.) yurnagunensis.

The vertical section (FIG. 2, PL. 9) of a specimen of L. (E.) yurnagunensis from the Culebra formation is similar to specimens assigned to this species from the Caimito formation (Cole, 1953b, figs. 10-12, pl. 17).

Study of these vertical sections shows how important it is to have a sufficient number of adequate equatorial and vertical sections which have been correlated with each other before identifications are attempted. Otherwise, the species may be identified incorrectly, as has happened unfortunately in many instances.

The sample (loc. 4) from Trinidad contained abundant L. (E.) yurnagunensis, a few specimens of L. (Eulepidina) undosa Cushman and moderately numerous specimens of Camerina dia (Cole and Ponton).

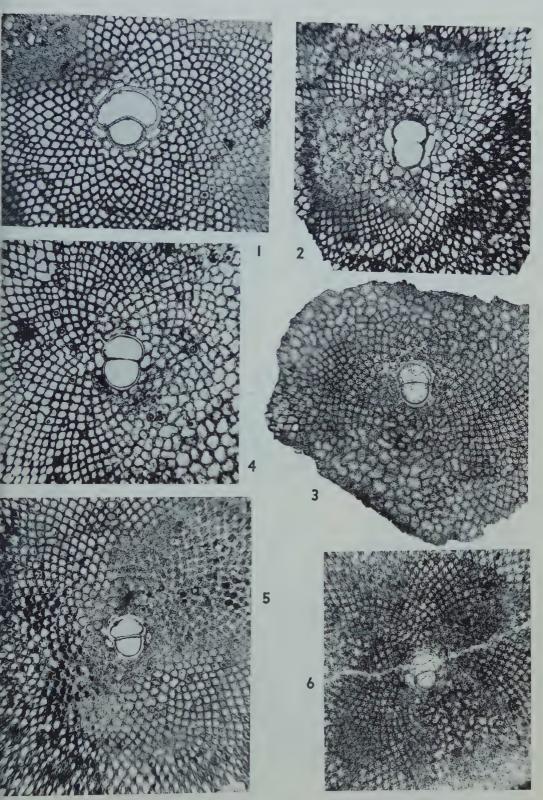
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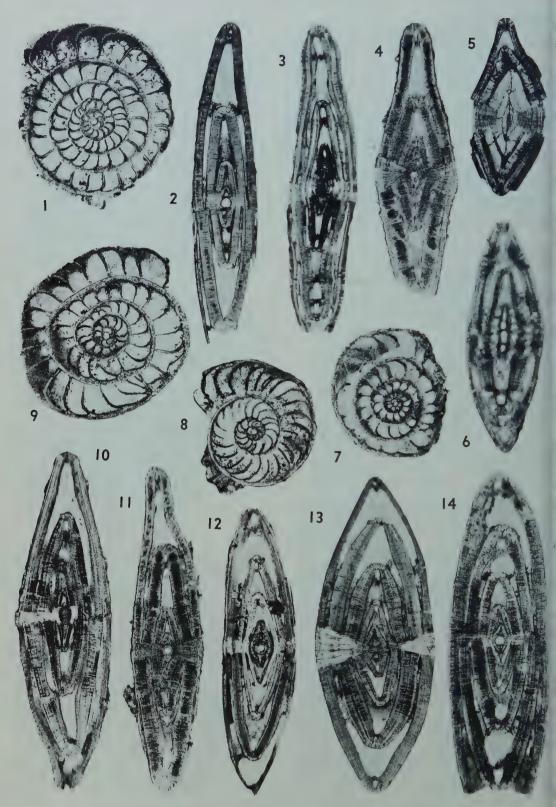
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,	1.	Median section, × 20; loc. 3.	
	10.	Transverse section, × 40; loc. 3.	4.4
. 11-14.	Camerina	dia (Cole and Ponton)	145
,	2.	Transverse section, \times 40, of a topotype of Opercumolaes vicksburgensis	
		Vaughan and Cole; loc. 11.	
	4, 11.	Transverse sections, × 40, of topotypes of "Operculinella" dia Cole and Ponton;	
		loc. 10.	
	12-14.	Transverse sections, × 40, of compressed to inflated specimens; loc. 4.	145
3, 5-9.	Camerina	trinitatensis (Nuttall)	145
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		named "Operculinoides" kugleri Vaughan and Cole, loc. 3; 5, inflated speci-	
		men, loc. 3; 6, not exactly centered, loc. 2.	
	7-9.	Median sections, × 20; 7, loc. 2; 8, 9, loc. 3.	

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NOMENCLATURAL NOTES

234. *VERNEUILINA PHARAONICA*, NEW NAME FOR *V. MINUTA* SAID AND BARAKAT, PREOCCUPIED

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Dr. Hans E. Thalmann has informed the writer that Verneuilina minuta Said and Barakat, 1959, is preoccupied by V. minuta Wiesner, 1931. The following new name is therefore proposed: Verneuilina pharaonica, new name for V. minuta Said and Barakat, 1959, Proc. Egyptian Acad Sci., vol. XIII (1957/58), p. 6, fig. 6; non *V. minuta* Wiesner, 1931, Deutsche Südpolar-Exped., vol. XX (Zool. vol. XII), p. 99, pl. xiii, fig. 155; pl. xxiii, stereo-fig. d.

235. HELENINA SAUNDERS, NEW NAME FOR THE FORAMINIFERAL GENUS HELENIA SAUNDERS, 1957, NON HELENIA WALCOTT, 1889

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Helenia Saunders, 1957 (Jour. Washington Acad. Sci., v. 47, no. 11, p. 374) is a homonym of Helenia Walcott, 1889. The new name Helenina is proposed

for Helenia Saunders, with Pseudoeponides anderseni Warren, 1957 = Helenina anderseni (Warren) as type species.

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RECENT LITERATURE ON THE FORAMINIFERA

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- BERMUDEZ, PEDRO J. Contribucion al estudio de las Globigerinidea de la region Caribe-Antillana (Paleoceno-Reciente).—Mem. III Congreso Geol. Venez., tomo 3, Bol. Geol., Publ. especial 3, 1960, p. 1119-1393, pls. 1-20.—The superfamily is divided into 3 families of which one (the Globigerinidae) is in turn subdivided into 5 subfamilies, one new, Globigerinitinae (type genus Globigerinita Bronnimann 1952). Forty-four genera are discussed, with many of the ones having post-Cretaceous occurrences in the Antillean-Caribbean region being illustrated with stereo-photographs. Systematic catalog includes 216 species (26 new and 1 given a new name) and 18 varieties (1 new).
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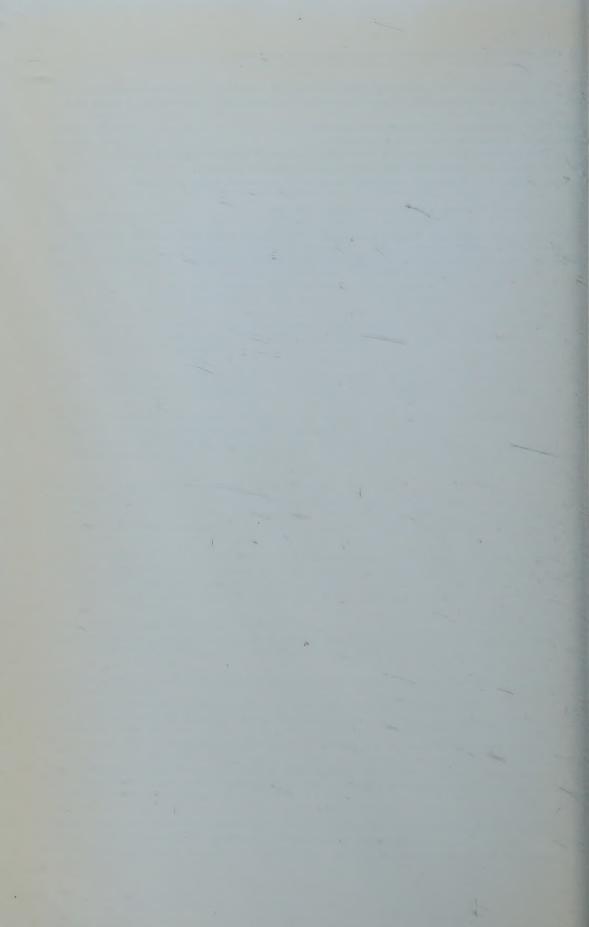
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